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No blame verdict on Biko death brings wide protests

plame for the death of Steve Biko, he defained black activist. After he inquest verdict was announced, demonstrators outside the court chanted: "Our only sin is that we incredible.

A South African magistrate yester-lay cleared the security police of cousin of Mr Biko were detained for a time in police raids in Soweto township, Johannesburg. The inquest verdict was denounced in London and Washington as

23 MPs denounce 'murder'

farcel Berlins
retoria, Dec 2
No one could be found
riminally responsible for the
leath in detention of Steve
Biko, the South African Black
longciousness leader, the presiding magistrate at the inuest railed today.
The megistrate. Mr Martinus
Prins, said that Mr Biko's
leath "could not on the evileate be attributed to any act
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any person."

file ruling, given after 15

rys of hearings, was delivered

ret in Afrikaans and then in

hee minutes.
There was a stunned silence and then a gasp of disbelled from the two bundred people, nost of them black, who were rost of them black, who were in court to hear the vardict. Immediately afterwards groups of blacks gathered outside the Old Synagogue, where the inquest had been held, to sing freedom songs. "They have killed Steve Biko", they phanted. "What have we done? Our only sin is that we are black."

re black."

Esrlier two members of Mr Bikg's family as well as 11 wher Africans, some of them friends left the family, were detained by the police in predawn raids in Soweto, the huge black township just outside Johannewhurg.

Any Biko's brother Khaya, who had been attending the inquest each day, and his cousin, Mr Solosnan Biko, were later reported to have been freed.

freed.

Many of the others were associated with the Black Consciousness organization which were banned on October 19. They included two Anglican priests, the Rev Stephen Mashikame Montiane and the Rev Jeffrey Maseloane, and two leaders of the recently formed Soweto Action Committee, Mr. Lucas Ngriang and Mr. J. K. Molope.

Molope. According to Mr Shop Cherry. he Blko family attorney, it was believed the derentions were in connexion with a pamphlet issued by the Soweto Action Committee which called on township residents not to partiipate in the new community yesterday.

Leading trade unions are to

press Labour policy-makers next week for a full inquiry into the organization and structure of

The Prime Minister is sympa-

kers and the Transport and

Mr Callaghan has previously

By Michael Hatfield

Political Reporter

General Workers'.

ccuncils proposed by the Gov-ernment and to refuse to pay rent increases which were intro-duced vesterday.

during the struggle that ensued.

The only member of Mr
Biko's family in court to hear
the ruling today was his widow.

Mrs Ntsiki Biko. She declined

absent, but this is customary practice for senior counsel when a ruling is given. A spokesman for the Depart-

ment of Justice said the record of the inquest would now go to the Attorney General of Transveal as a matter of routime. It was up to the Attorney



Mrs Biko after the verdict

In his ruling the magistrate, who sat with two medical assessors, formally accepted the findings of a post-mortem report that Mr Biko died from extensive brain injuries followed by complications leading to uraemia and renal failure. He said the main injury was apparently sustained on the morning of September 7 when Mr Biko was allegedly involved in a scuffle with the police.

According to evidence submitted by members of the Port Elizabeth security police who interrogated him, Mr Biko went berserk? and had to be forcibly subdued. The police suggested that Mr Biko probably sustained his head injury during the struggle that ensued.

out the inquest, was said to be too tired to attend today. Counsel for the Biko family, Mr Sydney Kentridge, was also

to comment on it. His mother, who had been present through-



General to decide whether there should be any further investiga-tion or any other action taken.

It is uncertain whether the magistrate will make public at a later stage the reasons for his ruling. Mr Chetty said he hoped he would, but there is nothing under South African law which obliges him to do

No form of sopeal is open to the Biko family, although they could seek a review of the magistrate's findings before a Supreme Court judge. Lawyers would first have to show that no reasonable indicial officer would first have to show that no reasonable judicial officer could have come to the same conclusion as the presiding magistrate on the basis of the known evidence. It is thought most unlikely that a review will be sought.

It is possible, however, that there exists he further inquire.

It is possible, however, that there could be further indury into the conduct of the three Port Blizabeth doctors involved in the case Under the Medical, Dental and Pharmacy Act it is obligatory for a judicial officer in a case involving the conduct of practitioners to consider whether or not to forward the papers to the Medical and Dental Council.

Mr Biko was the twentieth

and Denral Council.

Mr Biko was the twentieth person to have died while being held in police custody since March last year.

In his final submission to the magistrate yesterday Mr Kentridee argued that the only reasonable verdict was to find that Mr Biko's death was due to criminal assault by one or more of the eight security policemen in whose custody he was held in Port Elizabeth.

The fact that the magistrate's ruling exonerates the police provoked immediate criticism from both blacks and whites attending the inquest. One of the diplomatic observers who was present said it was "rotally cyuical".

London: In the Commons, 23 MPs signed a motion condemn-ing "the murder of Steve Biko". The British Council of Churches said the vardict was

ment expressed shock at the arrest of relatives of Mr Biko, and termed the inquest finding "inconceivable".

First official visit: Mr Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, holding a tarmac press conference at Heathrow yesterday at the beginning of his official visit to Britain, the first by an Israeli premier. On Mr Begin's right is his wife. With them are Dr Owen, the

Foreign Secretary (right), and Mrs Mr Begin will discuss his latest pro-posals for a peace treaty with Egypt

and other Arab states when his talks with Mr Callaghan open at Downing Street this evening, Our Diplomatic

Correspondent writes.
At Heathrow Mr Begin said he brought from Jerusalem "a suggestion to renew the covenant (of the Balfour Declaration) signed between the British and Jewish people 60 years ago on that unforgettable day, November 2, 1917." This was taken to be a figurative

sources, as no communique is expected to be issued after the talks, which con-tinue tomorrow, concluding with a dinner given by Mr and Mrs Begin for their British hosts on Sunday evening to mark the end of the official visit. Mr Begin will spend Monday and Tuesday meeting leaders of the Jewish

community and MPs. He leaves on Wednesday. Tripoli summit, page 4

may be written off

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

A f130m atomic power station that was brought into operation less than a year ago by the South of Scotland Electricity board may be written off because of extensive damage caused by seawater leaking into the cooling system of the nuclear reactor.

nuclear reactor.

The trouble at the Bunterston B site has embarrassed the Government at a time when the Cabinet is considering whether that type of advanced gas cooled reactor should be chosen for two large nuclear power stations that would begin construction in 1980, and which would take six to seven years

culties must throw into doubt the preference expressed this week by the newly formed Energy Commission for this British design of reactor over the alternative American type Opinion in favour of the advanced gas cooled reactor has been growing over the past year because ir seemed that that Vorster victory speech, page 5 design system was emerging from teething troubles.

The Hunterston B site diffi-

gas cooled reactor brought into operation by the Central Electricity Generating Board, at Hinkley Point B, Somerset, has also suffered technical mags, but for different reasons.

The trouble at Hunterston started in October, when the generating board disclosed that salt water had entered the system. The reactor was shut down for an investigation, which is still continuing.

Mr Roy Berridge, chairman of the South of Scotland Elec-tricity Board, said yesterday that a provisional assessment indicated that the reactor could be out of operation for a year and that repairs could cost

He said the costs would include up to £3m this year for running alternative plants and up to 58m next year. Electricity tariffs would have to rise by between 1 and 2 per cent. Mr Berridge added; "That,

of course, is a worse situation than we see at the moment. In the current financial year this incident will not put us into a loss-making situation and we Continued on page 2; col 1

£130m nuclear station | TUC leaves firemen to fight on alone

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

TUC leaders turned their backs yesterday on a confronta-tion with the Government over its 10 per cent wage restraint guidelines and left the striking

guidelines and left the striking firemen to battle on alone for pay rises in breach of the Cabinet's incomes policy.

The TUC's inner cabinet its finance and general purposes committee, decided unanimously that "the Government is not likely to be deflected from its present course of action". represent course of action", rejected demands for a campaign against the pay policy, and urged the Fire Brigades Union (PBU) to seek a settlement with
the employers on the lines proposed by the Prime Minister
earlier this week.

The tacit acceptance of the
incomes policy is bound to

deter other groups of workers from seeking to break through the 10 per cent limit. Some firemen's leaders accused the TUC of treachery and of panto the Admir

In five hours of talks at Congress House in London FBU leaders had sought to enlist the big battalions of the labour movement in a general attack on what they saw as the Government's inflexible attitude to-

wards pay.

The 10 per cent limit on earniogs rises, firemen argue, was being imposed on unions with

the force of legislation.
But the TUC committee did not support their request for a positive campaign against the incomes policy. More than that, other union leaders take the other than a return to free col-lective bargaining recognizes that not only unions but also employers, including the gov-

ernment, enjoy the same freedom.

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said after the talks: "We cannot envisage action that could be taken which would deflect the Government from that position." The situation was entirely dif-

ferent from that obtaining during the 1974 miners' strike. " It is not always easy to give advice that will be resented. But we would not be helping members of the FBU if we created in their minds an expectation that we believe cannot be fulfilled." The TUC advised the firemen

to go back and talk to their employers on the proposed pay formula for the fire service, which includes a reduction in working hours. Any such deal would be underwritten by the Government,

It could be recommended to a recalled firemen's delegate conference, the body that called the strike three weeks ago and which has the sole power to

call it off.

In a statement after yesterday's talks the TUC said the
firemen had attracted wide-

firemen had attracted wide-spread sympathy even though they were reluctant to strike. Their strike had produced a positive result.

"It has led the Prime Minister to make to the union an unprecedented offer to underwrite a pay formula which will be sustained even in the event of unforeseen economic difficulties. This, together with a reduction in hours from 48 to 42 in November. 1978, will to 42 in November, 1978, will produce a situation which the FBU has been seeking for many

violinist is hoping to stay in West From Paul Moor

Soviet

Gidon Kremer, the brilliant young Soviet violinist, winding up a tour of West Germany and Austria, has appeared on West German television to discuss his application to the Soviet Ministry of Culture for permis-

sion to spend the next two years in the West.

He has made his tour as soloist with the Vilna Chamber Orchestra, which will give its final concert on Tuesday week. Mr Kremer's meteoric rise to world fame as a virtuoso begin in 1970 when he won the Tchaikovsky first prize in Moscow. He enjoys particular sucress in Germany.

If Mr Kremer does remain in the West, he would not be the first prominent Soviet musician to do so. The pianist, Vladimir Ashkenazy, after marrying an Icelandic music student in Moscow, successfully applied to the Soviet Minister. applied to the Soviet Minister f Culture for permission to live broad. He subsequently abroad. He subsequently acquired Icclandic citizenship

and lives in London.

Mstislav Rostropovich, the great cellist and his wife, the soprano Galina Vishneyskava, bad strong artistic differences with Soviet cultural functionaries and now live in the West but remain Soviet citizens.

The BBC Symphony Orches-

tra's new conductor. Generali Rozhdestvensky, who has held a regular conducting post in Stockholm, continues to maintain his primary residence in

Moscow.
On West German television
Mr Kremer took exception to having the term "dissident" applied to him. "I should like

applied to him. "I should like to avoid that word", he said, "because people use it with different meanings".

If he received "a positive response to my application, I hope that it will become possible not only for me, but also for other artists to have the opportunity to unfold artistically, and I hope also that the Russian artist and the Russian

cally, and I hope also that the Russian artist and the Russian heart will be more understood in the West".

Mr Kremer, born in Riga 30 years ago, said he was ethnically a mixture. "I grew up in the Soviet Republic of Lavria, and have 30 years of association with that region. My mother came from Karlsrube. My Jewish father came from the Baltic. ish father come from the Baltic.
My grandfather, whose violin I
play, came from Göteburg. For
the past 11 years I have lived
in Mosey. in Moscow."

He has chosen a path consid-

erably at variance with that uf most young Soviet violin vir-tuosos, who generally concentrate on the romantic reper-toire and bravura pyrotechnics. Mr Kremer makes it a prin-ciple to include in every recital programme a contemporary KGB question writer, page 5

Desert air crash kills 56 pilgrims

Paris, Dec 2.—Fifty-six people died and 46 were injured when an aircraft carrying Libyan pil-grims home from Mecca crashlanded in desert near Benghazi today, according to a Libvan news agency dispatch monitored

The aircraft, a Soviet-built Tupoley, was carriyng 165 pas-sengers and a crew of six. It was ars."

Said to have run out of fuel.—

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questioned the structure of the party, believing that there should be greater regional representation and that the method Fares rise deferred

for a week

After protests from booking office staff, British Rail has postponed fares rises of between 14 and 16 per cent planned for January 1. They will the office of January 1. They will take effect on January 8. Mr Norman Hitchen. assistant general secretary of the Transport Salaried Staffs Association, said yesterday: "We are the front line staff

who have to bear the criticism from the travelling public. "It was part of our argument to British Rail that people will not be in the best frame of mind to face fare Ocreases as they return to work after the new year festi-

Our staff would have to stand sarcasm and in some cases abuse from passengers." The January 1 date would also have meant much extra preparation during the holiday.

British Rail said the decision would give more time to prepare the new fares and overcome the difficulty of the changeover's taking place during a Bank holiday. It denied that the date had been changed because commuters hight be angry. " It was simply because the timescale was

Passes closed

Genera. Dec 2—Heavy snow-fulls have closed most of Switzerland's main Alpine Fastes. Chains are required for those still open to traffic in the those still open to traffic in the daytime, the Swiss Touring Club taid today. LPI.

cutive committee, the custodian of conference decisions, should be examined.

The issue will be raised on Monday at a meeting of the party's organization committee, when members will consider letters from trade unions sup-David Basnett, general secre-tary of the General and Munici-

theric to the demand, which has been made by such unions as the General and Municipal Wor-

letters from trade unions sup-porting the demand from Mr pal Workers' Union.
They are: the Post Office
Engineering Union, the Union

of Post Office Workers, the Amalgameted Society of Boilermakers, Shipwrights, Black-smiths and Structural Workers, whose president, Mr John Chalmers, is a former chairman

UK reserves

up by \$183m

Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves ruse by \$183m to \$20,394m (\$11,227m) during November. This is a new record but the increase was the

smallest for six months and in marked

contrast to the rises when the Bank of England was taking in dollars in an attempt to hold down the value of the

Already leaders in the United States

Republican Party are turning their

Unions to press for inquiry into structure of Labour Party

The letter from the transport workers does not actually seek an inquiry but states, somewhat ambiguously, that there should be greater democracy in the party. None the less, it is being construed as influential backing for Mr Basnett, who first raised the issue at the party conference in Cereber. conference in October.

NEC members, many of whom on the left of the party would not wish for an inquiry, successfully asked the conference to remit his motion for further consideration. But in view of union support the issue

that a vote to recommend an incurry could be very close.

If it is carried, the recommendation would have to be ratified by the full national executive, which would find itself in-volved in a heated argument.

proposition is bound to annoy left-wing members of the NEC. Union leaders are particularly

concerned about the purty's finances. Mr Norman Atkinson, the party treasurer, is stating privately that it will need 55m over the next two years, especi-ally to pay for the new party headquarters, and it will be the unions who will be asked to find most of the money.

It is feared by some, however, that an inquiry could place in question the block vote which the unions can operate at the party conferences. They would be reluctant to see that dis-

Photographer 'saw

An American press photographer who accompanied a Rhodesian army cavalry unit on a three-day mission last September has said that he saw the soldiers burn huts, severely beat a local black politician and torture his wife and daughter Page S

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Who Commander Harry Day; Mr J. Stuart Last night's riots were the

emotionalism, went unheeded

Bermuda state of emergency

From Michael Leapman Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec 2 Sir Peter Ramsbotham, Governor of Bermuda, declared a state of emergency today after the execution at dawn of two black terrorists, one of whom had murdered a former

A curfew was imposed from 6 pm to 6 am to prevent a recurrence of last night's prolonged rioring by some 500 people, which caused serious damage to property although there were no reports of serious injuries.
The executions followed the

failure of the two men's final appeals for clemency, including one to the Queen. The executed men Erskine Burrows, aged 33, and Larry Tacklyn, aged 26. Burrows was convicted of the 1973-murder of the Governor, Sir Richard Sharples, and his aide de camp, and the killing of a

police commissioner a year Both men were convicted of killing two supermarket execu-tives in an armed robbery in 1973.

Roadblocks were set up this morning, two miles away from the Casemates prison, on the western end of the island, while the executions were carried out.

culmination of minor disturbances throughout the week, as it became apparent that lastminute appeals for clemency would fail. A government appeal for calm, for reason to prevail over

by the rioters.
The Bermuda Labour Party, the main opposition party, which has 15 of the 40 seats in the House of Assembly, and commands wide support among the black majority, had cam-paigned for a reprieve for the two men. The party leader, Mrs Lois Browne-Evans, was Tack-lyu's defence lawyer.

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thoughts to the presidential nominations for 1980. Senator Robert Dole, who stood for Vice-President in last year's election, is thinking of standing for President Tories' EEC policy

Nomination hopes

Mrs Thetcher indicated during a press conference to mark the end of her twoday visit to Brussels that a Conservative government would pursue a policy towards the EEC similar in essentials to that of the Labour Government Page 4

Appeal on racialism Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for

Education and Science, called on students to assist the Government to combat the influence of racialist organizations among young people, especially school pupils. She was speaking at the conference of the National Union of Students Page 2 Anglo-Irish fish pact

'Mirror' journalists go back to work

Journalists at the Daily Mirror and Daily Mail agreed to work normally after pay dismuted discussed production. The disputes disrupted production. disputes descripted production. The Mirror management stopped publication 13 days ago, and the Mail appeared late yesterday and with fewer pages, than planned. Talks on both pay claims continue. The Mirror dispute is estimated to have lost the company £3.8m gross Page 2

Poor Packer gate

little over 2,000 people were at the Melbourne ground for the start of Kerry Packer's world series match between an Australian XI and a West Indian side. At close of play the West Indians had scored 47 for two in reply to the Australians' 256 Page 6

Record price for filly Mrs McArdy, the winner of this year's 1,000 Guineas, was sold for the record sum of 154,000 guineas at Newmarket Sales. She will now race at Hialesh in the United States before being mated next year Page 7

Mortgage hint: The Government would like to see another cut in the mortgage

Paris: M Chirac, the Gaullist leader, has aroused speculation by asking to see the President on Wednesday 4 Tel Aviv: An Israeli journalist arriving in Cairo without a visa is enthusiastically greeted with a kiss on each cheek 4

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Mrs Williams calls on students to help the Government combat influence of racialists in schools

Education Correspondent

An appeal to students to help An appeal to students to help the Government to combat the influence of racism among schoolchildren and young people was made by Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, at state of build peace in the of the NUS, said in her address to the conference of the NUS, said in her address to the conference of the NUS, said in her address to the conference of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the NUS, said in her address to the number of the number for Education and Science, at the opening of the National Union of Students conference in Blackpool last night.

Mrs Williams Said: "It would be utter folly if students

were to close their eyes and shut their minds and try to groups attempting to influence the views of young people at the present time, particularly the youngsters still at school.

"Many of them are much more willing to listen to the views of people like yourselves, who are only a few years older than them, than to the older peneration. generation.

which you can deny a platform and hope it will go away. This is an argument that can only be won by argument, by reason, by talking to the youngsters themselves by persuasion and patience. We need your help."

The NUS executive is hoping to get the approval of the conference for recognition of th themselves by persuasion and patience. We need your help."

The NUS executive is hoping to get the approval of the conference for repeal of the union's policy of denying a platform to fascist or racist speakers, while at the same time reaffirming its opposition to all forms of racialism.

The motion on racialism.

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The motion on racialism and colleges on the level of

Labour 'in

confusion'

on pay plan
By Our Political
Correspondent

This week's "thinking aloud"

step to build peace in the Middle East, if we were to act in any way that makes relations between the Jewish and Arab communities more strained,

Turning to the controversial question of financial support for young people from the age of 16, Mrs Williams acknow-ledged that there was "a dis-tinct incentive financially" to leave school or full-time further advertion, and to rely on a education and to rely on a Manpower Services Commission training allowance or on sup-plementary benefits payable to any unemployed teenager who follows a part-time course of no more than three days a week.

Among the highest of the Government's priorities in education was to help those aged 16 to 19 who were unable to stay on at school.

priorities ballot, is due to be debated this afternoon.

Mrs Williams said that it was regrettable that some student period away, which would be related only to the cost of supervision and organization during that time.

to the conference. The student movement was at

a crossroads, she said. The collapse of NUS Travel had undermined its traditional identity. The key to greater unity, she suggested, was greater democratic involvement at both national and local level. student unions should exist for all students, not just for the few, and should be organized accordingly.

Ulster Student held: Ulster Student held: Mr
Emanuel Hands, a Belfast
student on his way to the conference, was detained by police
at Blackgool aimport yesterday
(the Press Association reports).
The NUS said last night that he
was being held under the
Prevention of Terrorism Act.

Some student wines had

Some student unions had decided to ignore the needs and decided to ignore the needs and opinions of their members, and operated more as political parties. "We all know these students' unions exist, mostly devoid of real students, controlled by what has become the 'political elité'. This path spells death for the student movement our minor must be time reaffirming its opposition ment was about to publish reto all forms of racialism.

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'Chaos' at Irish distribution of cheap EEC butter

From Christopher Walker

Amid confusion and recrim-ination 2,000 topoes of cheap EEC butter went on sale in the Irish Republic yesterday as part of the Community's effort by the Prime Minister and the by the Frime Minister and the Chancellor of the Exchequer about pay policy showed total confusion in the Labour Party about the way ahead, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the shadow Chancellor, said last night. to reduce its butter surplus.

The "Christmas butter", in special packs, was priced at 29p a lb, about 25p cheaper than the normal price. Queues quickly formed outside shops and supermarkets, but many people said the distribution system was poorly organized and favoured the well-off, who were able to buy large quantities for storing in freezers. By noon the Irish Nation! Dairy Council, which is monitoring the scheme, said that more to reduce its butter surplus. Chancellor, said last night.

"Mr Healey's so-called orderly return to collective bargaining," on which he was driven reluctantly to embark last July, is leading to a series of barren confrontations in defence of a so-called 'giudeline' which is too rigid because it is too high", he told a businessman's club in his constituency of East Surrey. shary council, which is monitor-ing the scheme, said that more than half the republic's small shops had not received sup-plies. Mr Noel Gimore, the chairman, said: "There is a strong feeling among shoppers the the butter should have been cncy of East Surrey.

That had happened because the Government had failed to emphasize that the return to

coloctive bargaining would be jeopardized if expectations were raised too high. Fay settlements at an average of 5 to 6 per cent were the highest on fixed incomes."

allow 111b for every man and woman in the republic. But there were signs last night that in some areas shoppers would never see it The EEC is disposing of

about 70,000 tonnes of butter at abour 70,000 tonnes of butter at reduced prices in other member countries. Britain, however, is not a party to the scheme. Cheap food attack: The Government's cheap food policy has produced a stock of butter in Britain that will take a year to eat, Mr John Peyton, opposition spokesman on agriculture, fisheries and food, said yesterday (Our Agricultural Correspondent writes).

spondent writes).

"It would be nice if such mountains stayed at home", he told farmers at Diss, Nortolk.

"But high subsidies have offered an easy and rempting market for other people's surpluses." By holding British food prices down the Government had handed trade advantages to suppliers overseas. tages to suppliers overseas.
It was complicated and

on fixed incomes."

Many shops entempted rationing schemes. But in several inflation, Sir Geoffrey said.

"Both Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey are now disposed to escape from the mess by some form of permanent, institutionalized incomes policy." Such a course would be to ignore the lessons of Britain's most successful competitors, notably West Germany and the United States.

It was "complicated and mad" to hold prices down by manipulating the "great pound", with which EEC farm prices are expressed in steriling. The speech showed a shift in the focus of Conservative farm policy away from the effects of a fixed incomes."

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breach in tip-off

The magistrate withdrew

from hearing a Grunwick case at Willesden Court on Thurs-

day after Mr Ali's newspaper, Socialist Challenge, accused her

Effects of refusal to end ban on overtime extend far beyond 1,700 Swan Hunter outfitters

Gloom but little repentance in Wallsend at lost £52m order

The picture of a town cutting its collective throat is unusual even in troubled industrial times, yet that is what Wallsend, on the river Tyne, has been accused of this week. The outfitting workers at the

Swam Hunner yand refused to end an overtime ban and thus drove away a £52m order from Poland. They have now com-pounded the act by encouraging other British yards, many of them desperate for orders, to black the Polish vessels if they are offered to them.

are offered to them.

Wallsend has reacted gloomily to the action, which has been called suicidal for shipbuilding on the Type, pigheaded, and the act of industrial lemmings, by local politicians, industrial bodies and the region's press.

Retent the green streets of But on the grey streets of Walisend there has been little repentence to report, "People

outside do not understand how angry the men feel about this. The trouble has been going on unresolved for years. The boolermakers have become an chite for no other reason than that in the past they shouted the loudest. It is now our turn, one outfitter told me. The Polish order, part of the fills anapping contract to be divided among British yards, drifted almost sucidentally into

chifted almost incidentally into this bitter argument over parity, which would mean an extra £7 a week to the men. The crucial point, which the workers fully realize but seem to be ignoring in their campaign for parity, is that Swan Hunter is the key to any prespectly that Wallsend might enjoy in future. "The might enjoy in future. The town relies on the company absolutely. Without Swan it is dead", a shipyard worker said. At present the five yeards now under the umbrells of

take shape amid the rattle of shippard machinery. About £12m bas been

invested in the years over the last five years and that now shows in new and efficient steel-bandling equipment, smart cranes that tower from the river bank. The company says it has the capacity to build any kind of ship, and build it efficiently and competitively.

The yards had orders in hand for five naval and eight merchant ships, but they could not afford to relinquish the Polish orders. For the Tyne and Wear council the refusal to end the overtime ban and still show. This seems very thus secure the Polish order much like a self-inflicted was a hammer blow. Local wound, a boilermaker said in the memployment is about 9 per cent, and the keen hope was

A boy aged five and his sister, aged two, died in a hotel fire at Westcliff on Sea, Essex,

yesterday, despite efforts by troops to save them.

About 20 guests were evacuated from the hotel, which was used chiefly as a temporary hotel for people receiving social security benefit. One man was badly mjured when he jumped from a firstillor window.

Residents said they could not get into the children's room because of smoke. Their mother,

because of smoke. Their mother, Joy Livermore, aged 22, separated from their father, was taken to hospital suffering from shock. They had been in the hotel for only two days.

A police officer exid: "It seems unlikely that the children could have been saved by the earlier arrival of breathing apparatus."

earlier arrival of breathing apparatus."
In London, two elderly women died in fires at Hornchurch and Cricklewood. And Mr John Proctor, aged 92, of Chester Road, Felixstowe, was rescued from his burning home after he had fallen asleep while smoking a pipe.

had ration assess white smoking a pipe.

The Queen yesterday visited the 1st Battalion, the Royal Weish Fusiliers at Tidworth, Witshire, and heard from the men who have been manning "Green Goddess" fire engines that they found their experience "very rewarding".

Lence Corporal Victor Arrow-

from a first-floor window

British Shipbuilders, are busily that by modernizing the yards employed. Under floodlights that could be cut and more beside the sluggish Tyne the skeletal forms of new ships the north bank of the river. that could be cut and more social growth achieved along the north bank of the river.

The orders would have given more than a year's security, and the effects of their loss extend far beyond the 1,700 outlitting tradesmen. Immediately 10,000 shipbuilding workers, including the "elitist" boilermakers, were under the threat of redundancy. Beyond them were a further 19,000 who build the engines, trumps, and the myriad other items that go into a ship.

Farther up the pyramid of which Swan Hunter is the solid base are a whole range of other suppliers, and much of the local commercial life of Wallsend. "The town has suffered

smith, whose regiment fought an average of 58 fires a day during a two-week stay in Man-chester, mild her: "It was a good experience".

Fusilier Brian Meah added:
"The firemen on the picket lines were very helpful and told us when we might be in

In Ulster representatives of

the province's 600 part-time firemen will meet in Portadown

tomorrow to decide whether they should join their full-time colleagues' strike. Most have been working normally

The division of feeling among them was demonstrated on

Thursday night when partimers in Newry South Down, announced they were joining the strike. The station closed.

In North Down about 200 part-time firemen from four stations meanwhile announced they were resigning from the Fire Brigades Union because they felt it would be impossible for them to join the strike.

A representative said:

A representative said:
"Because of Newry's decision
to strike, fire control has been

trying to arrange cover from outlying areas, but other part-timers have said they will go into Newry only if a life is in

Two children die in hostel fire

The young people too will suffer. Mr Jeffrey Reynalds principal careers officer for north Tyneside, said 112 boys and 113 girls were last week looking for work. Many of them had recently left school.

Many jobs had been created help. A training workshop at Swan Hunter was making canoes, a small start that could lead to a formal apprenticeship for the youngsters. Others were taken on short industria

courses. The policy seemed to be working, and gradually young people were being absorbed into the industry. But there into the industry. But thermust be a continuity of order the scheme to work. The most crippling blow of the outfirers refusal, however, will be to the credibility of the Tyne in the tough battles ahead for new

orders.
Orders for Teesside, page 17

fire-fighting troops. Merseyside firemen had decided to abandon similar action earlier. Air Vice-Marshal Donald Ben-

Political details 'not kept in police computer'

By Stewart Tendler Home Affeirs Reporter

Home Affairs Reporter

A Home Office minister yesterday denied that any details of political beliefs and affaintions are kept on the police national computer, but added: "Occasionally information amount association with an organization has been held for a limited period in the index of stolen or suspect cars."

In a series of parities answers

In a series of written answers to questions by Miss Josephine Richardson, Labour MP for Barking, Dr Shirley Summerskill, Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office, said that occurred "when a police officer has judged it relevant when reporting a vehicle as suspected of being used in connexion with

Miss Richardson raised the miss kichardson raised the question after a court case in which is was revealed that posice had stopped a car and discovered that the driver was

connected with the anti-hunting movement by means of the police national computer.

Dr. Summerskill said that details of 17,700,000 car owners were on the computer and by 1979 it would also hold details 1979 it would also hold details of 170,000 disqualified drivers. Next year details of 50,000 missing or wanted people will be fed into the computer. The national collection of fingerprints, totalling 2,200,000 is also held on the computer and the names of 3,800,000 people convicted of "more serious crimes".

serious crimes".

Last night the Home Office
was unable to explain the
difference between the last two figures or why records were kept of 1,600,000 people whose offences were serious enough to go on the computer but not serious enough to be included in the fingerprint records. It said there might be other fingerprior collections besides the

Liberal peers may back censure move by Tories

By Michael Hatfield

Political Reporter
Liberal peers are expected to support a Conservative motion criticizing the Government over defence cuts in the House of Lords on Wednesday.

The Liberals reject sug-gestions that such a move would be a breach of the pact

with the Government because, unlike the Conservatives, they do not see the motion as one of censure.

Lord Carrington, leader of the opposition in the Lords, has tabled a motion calling on the Government to restore the proposed defence cut of £267m and known its pledge to Nato to spend in real terms 3 per cent

menr should improve the remuneration of the Armed Forces in April "and as soon as possible, thereafter, to restore full comparability."

Because of that addition the Liberal peers are expected to have another meeting early next week to decide what line to take. A three-line whip has been issued to Labour peers. Job scheme attacked: Mr Job scheme attacked: M Winston Churchill, MP, Opposi

Winston Churchill, MP, Opposi-tion defence spokesman, yester-day criticized the Government's job creation schem and renamed it the job destruction pro-gramme. The proposed defence spending cuts would cost 218,000 jobs in this country, 38,000 uniformed and the rest For their part, disappointed leaders of the FRU said they civilian, he said.

Speaking in Chorley, Lancashire, Mr Churchill added:

"The last thing the Tories want

That, they insisted, was contrary to the TUC policy adopted only three months ago. "Congress policy does not support the Government's pay guidelines", the union said.

mittee's decision at the meeting of the TUC General Council on December 21, and, in the meantime, are calling on all other unions to express their support, within the labour movement and by industrial action.

about the fate of other groups of workers seeking to break the guidelines. It was a question, he said, of recognizing "certain facts of the situation". He added: "The TUC has not endorsed the Government's arisen of the TUC supporting certainly be accepted special cases; the Fire Brigades
Union has not asked for this, any hope of officia

Union has not asked for this, nor has it asked the TUC to negotiate on its behalf.

The TUC has criticized the inflexible attitude of the Government which has caused resentment among groups of workers, even where they have reluctantly accepted settlements within the Government's

Air Vice-Marshai Donaid Den-nert, aged 66, who was given the name Pathfinder during the Second World War, yesterday an Anti-Strike launched an "Anti-Strike Union" in London. He said he was prompted to action by the firemen's strike. Lives had been lost in the interests of greed, he said. "We have seen this great nation, in less than a quarter of a century, almost totally destroyed as we

knew it, simply because we believe in the right to strike." Christmas plans: The Ministry of Defence is working out con-tingency plans for Servicemen on fire-fighting duties in case of the firemen's strike lasts until Christmas, Fraud warnings: Police and the

British Insurance Association yesterday issued warnings that confidence tricksters were try-The police said some damage assessors were posing as journalists to obtain information about fires. Often they tuned in to emergency service radio channels to learn of fires and went immediately to the scene to offer their "expert services".

Striking firemen in Type and
Wear yesterday shandoned a threat to start picketing nine army bases to put pressure on Their aim was to persuade property owners to sign a contract so that they could claim part of the money eventually raid by the insurer.

Firemen accuse TUC of 'treachery'

Continued from page 1 Mr Murray and Mr David Beenett, charman of the TUC, are offering help in negotiations on those lines, while recognizing that their formula falls short of the request made by the firemen's union.

would pursue urgently negotia-tious on the pay formula and reduced hours, but deplored the TUC's "failure" to mount a positive campaign against the Covernment's application of pay guidelines "with the force of egislation ".

The firemen's leaders con-demned the attitude of the TUC leadership which, they believe, will not prove acceptable to the wider trade union movement.

Mr Murray partied questions

have been put to the Prime Minister and his colleagues generally, and in the context of the fire service dispute." But the impression left after yesterday's deeply political talks between the firemen and the TUC is that organized labour does not intend to chal-lenge the Cabinet on its pay policy.
The TUC committee will be

putting its recommendation to the general council and, because it was unanimously accepted by leaders of the big

That will not only dispose of any hope of official support from the TUC for the firemen; it will also be a warning to any groups of workers seeking to emulate the firemen's hill-

Mr John Lewis, London area member of the FBU executive, said of the TUC decision: "It

'Mirror' journalists accept | Doctor denies confidence terms for return to work

By Donald Macintyre

Publication of the Dally Mirror was back to normal in London last night after journalists overwhelmingly accepted a formula proposed by printing union leaders. The management had earlier agreed to withdraw the dismissals of 450 incertainty and resume publications. journalists and resume publi-cation in London provided that

in London of the Daily Mirror,
Sunday Mirror, Sunday People
and Reveille after journalists
had rejected a pay offer.
Sunday Mirror and Sunday
People journalists also voted to
accept the formula, which provides for the urgent resumption of pay negotiations between
the National Union of Journalies and Mirror Group manager.

lists and Mirror Group manage-The dispute resulted in a loss of 51 million copies of the group's newspapers and a gross loss of circulation and agross loss of circulation and advertis-ing revenue estimated at £3.8m. The formula was accepted by the NUJ negotiators in Lon-don vesterday after Mr Wil-liam Keys, general after Mr Wilthe Society of Graphical and duction on Thursday, causing a Allicd Trades (Socat), Mr cut in the number of pages of the National Society of The management indicated Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel (Natand Media Personnel (Nat-sopa), and a senior National Graphical Association (NGA)

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in a write-off.

will abide by our promise nor to increase tariffs this year." The outcome depends on establishing the extent of sea-

water intrusion, and hence salt.

tion of a secondary cooling sys-tem last March, which led to a

catastrophic chain of events. The secondary cooling system uses fresh water to circulate

round the bearings of large rans

that pump carbon dioxide as a

exchangers, where steam is tor core.

abour Reporter

Publication of the Daily agrees that dismissal notices are withdrawn and the NUJ ondon last night after journa-chapels (office branches), individually and as a group, undertake that full production will start and that any discussions on the pay claim will not interrupt production, and that the normal deadlines will be

cation in London provided that the journalists accepted the terms.

The management decided 13 days ago to halt publication in London of the Daily Mirror.

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The original management ultimatum had said that the journalists would be taken back only if they agreed not to disrupt production and to accept an offer of £1,533 a year plus an editor's merit rewew, with special payments for skills, training and responsibility needed for new photocomposition techniques.

The offer to journalists, who have been claiming £3,000 a year, was withdrawn after the Department of Employment intervened over sections which were outside government pay guidelines.

Daily Mail journalists yesterday resumed normal working after pay talks disrupted pro-

that it was prepared to improve its pay offer of 10 per cent to 11 per cent and not insist on a Graphical Association (NGA) five-day week instead of the representative had met NUJ four now worked.

raised to drive electrical gener-

A small leak of carbon

dioxide developed through a seal into the secondary water cooling system. A modification was made to remove that con-

When maintenance work was

reduced, seawter was able to flood back up the pipe through

the secondary cooling system and into the reactor.

The residual heat of the reac-

tor was such that the seawater

evaporated rapidly, leaving a

deposit of salt on the insulating

Power station may be shut

Extensive contamination within the reactor core, which is now under examination, could end seawater cooling ponds.

The source of the trouble corried out in the reactor and

apparently began in a modifica- the pressure of the gas system

gas coolant through the main part of the reactor.

The gas is carried to the heat material surrounding the reac-

ators.

Socialist Challenge, accused her of bias. Yesterday Dr Paul Stern, aged 35, who practises at Neasden Lane, Willesden, north London, held a press conference at the office of Socialist Challenge in Islington. Mr Ali was at his side. Dr Stern said the magistrate was a patient at his surgery. She was not on his list but he had treated her once or twice. He said his conversation with the magistrate took place near the surgery and another person was also talking to her. He alleged that she said she was Receiver says Aintree has not been sold

medical confidence.

Aintree Racecourse, Liverpool, has not been sold to the consortium headed by Mr Ronald Lasteed, a scrap dealer, the receiver managing the The consortium had said that the £2.5m sale of the race. Party.

course, the home of the Grand
National, would go ahead
Mr Colin Davies, the receiver,
said in a statement yesterday;
"The contract for the sale of
Aintree Racecourse between
the Walton Commercial Group Ltd and Mr R. A. Lasteed has not been completed and no extension to the contract has been granted.

"The property is available for sale through myself as receiver, and I am taking up negotiations with interested parties." several

Cheaper coffee

Tesco coffee is to fall in price by 21p to 99p for a 40z packer from Monday. Last month Sainsbury's cut the price ofits Vendona coffee to 98p. Miss Rantzen marries

Miss Esther Rantzen, agcd
37, of BBC television's The Big
Time, was married in Richmond
yesterday to Mr Desmond
Wilcox, aged 46, head of BBC
TV General Features.

Inquiry into advice to pools winner

courts concerning five or six of

them.

He said he sympathized with the Grunwick strikers in those cases where he had seen injuries. "I had no reason to doubt what they told me."

corder.

Versions Pools have conducted an investigation into financial advice given to a prizewinner by Mr David Holmes, a friend of Mr Jeremy Thorpe and once deputy treasurer of the Liberal

Two executives of the company carried out the investigation and yesterday took their report to directors at Vernous' beadquarters in Liverpool. The company had introduced the winner, Mr Terence Gibbs, a disabled former miner, to Mr

Holmes, then an appointed representative of the firm.

Mr Gibbs had a record summer win of £169,000 two years ago. He claims that later he lost more than £100,000 he had inversed in a carried hydroxes. invested in a carpet business. Mr Gibbs is now in control of the business, the Pyle Discount Centre carpet warehouse, near Bridgend, Mid Glamorgan. Mr Holmes's solicitor would

make no comment.

Clothing workers' 10% A 10 per cent pay rise for 95,000 clothing industry workers was announced yester-day by the National Umon of Tailors and Garment Workers and the Apparel and Fashion In-

Power industries deny code was contravened A doctor who passed on to not pleased by "the very light Mr Tariq Ali comments about sentences" a stipendiary magigramwick pickets altegedly strate had given to Grunwick made by a magistrate denied pickets. After the conversation periodical coefficients and a note on a tape re-

industry turning into a foss leader."

Gas and electricity officials yesterday denied an allegation by the National Consumer Council that the code of practice in relation to disconnexions for poor people had been contravened.

corder.

Denying any branch of medical etiquette, Dr Stern said:

"There is no suggestion that this was a secret or confidential conversation and it had nothing to do with a medical consultation."

Dr Stern, who was born in South Africa, said he held leftwing views but did not belong to any political party. He had treated people injured on the Grunwick picket line and had submitted written evidence to courts concerning five or six of A statement from the gas and electricity indstries said the "true position is completely different from the picture presented by incomplete histories such as those quoted by the National Consumer Council".

Iwo men charged with murder

Two men were charged last night with the murder of Mr George Fairbridge, aged 60, a sub-postmaster, at his home in Potters Road, New Barnet, in

Potters Road, New Barnet, in July last year.

They are Robert Bamforth, aged 30, a hairdresser, of Trapstyle Road, Ware, Hertfordshire, and George Hunnings, aged 34, a builder, of Hertford Road, Lower Edmonton, north London. They were also charged, with Wilhiam Kirby, aged 24, a post office clerk, of The Springs, Turnford, Hertfordshire, with conspiracy to rob. All three are to appear in court at Barnet today.

Tories to discuss choice for seat

The Huddersfield, East, Con-servative constituency party is to meet on Monday to discuss whether to dismiss Mrs Marguerite Wood, the prospective parliamentary candidate. parliamentary candanate.

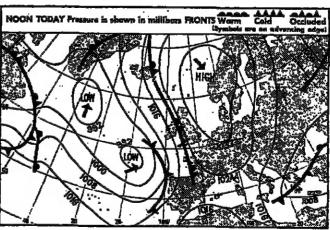
Mrs Wood said yesterday that she had been accused of "apparent lack of activity" and of not making enough impact in the constituency. Huddersfield, East, is held by Labour with a majority of

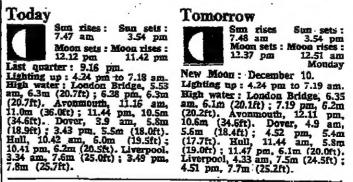
Birmingham buys £400,000 Bellini

Birmingham City Art Gallery has bought Bellini's "Madonna and Child", Mrs Williams, Secand Child", Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said yesterday in a Commons written reply.

Of the £400,000 purchase price, £72,000 was provided by the Government and a £50,000 donation was made by Mr Denis Malton.

Weather forecast and recordings





Pressure will remain high over SE, fresh; max temp 6°C (43°F). SW England, Wales, Islc of Man, N Ireland: Rather cloudy, some rain; wind SE, fresh or strong; max temp 8°C (46°F). the North Sea. Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, SE, central S, NW and central N England, Midlands and central N England, Midlands and Lake District: Bright or sunny periods, dry; wind SE, light or moderate; max temp 5°C (41°F), frost at first.

Apolia. E and NE Borders, Edinburgh, Dungee, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Pirth, NE Scotland: Dry, sunny periods; wind SE light or moderate; max temp 4°C (39°F), frost frost at first.

East Anglia, E and NE ate; max temp 4°C (39°F), frost early.

England: Dry, bright or sunny intervals; wind SE, light; max temp 5°C (41°F).

Channel Islands: Becoming rather cloudy, some rain; wind rather cloudy, some rain; wind selection intervals, dry; wind SE, moderate: max temp 5°C (41°F).

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; f, fair ;



SW. NW Scotland, Argyll: SW, NW Scotland, Argyl:
Rather cloudy, rain in places
later; Wind SE, fresh or strong;
Max temp 7°C (45°F).
Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Dry with sunny intervals in
E: cloud and rain in W ill
spread to central areas. Temp will
return near to normal in most
places.
Sca passages; S North Sca,

Strait of Dover: Wind SE.
moderate; sea slight.
English channel (E): Wind SE. fresh or strong; sea rough.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea:
Wind SE, strong or gale; sea very

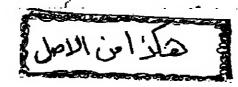
Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 6°C (43°F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 4°C (39°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 66 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 1,0313 millibars, rising.

1,000 millibars=29.53in.







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Plan to bring colleges under the control of a national council

Ev Peter David, of The Times igher Education Suplement A powerful national council to control and finance local authority colleges and polytechnics is likely to be set up by the Government as the result of 11 months of work by an advisory committee meeting in private under Mr Oakes, Minister of State for higher

Once established, the national council would become one of the most powerful bodies in education, responsible for negoularing the total amount of money, at present £400m a year, to be spent on higher education outside the univer-

It would also be responsible for dividing the sum between individual institutions and courses, analysing supply and demand for higher education and coordinating plans with the University Grants Committee.
Creation of the council is expected to be the main recommendation of Mr Oakes's committee, which is scheduled to finish its work before Christ mas. Its report is due to be published early next year. Agreement has been made

possible only because the local authority associations have been persuaded to drop their initial objections to a scheme that will diminish local government control over the public sector of higher education.

Local authorities are likely to have substantial representation, however, and a form of vero, on the new body. The Department of Education and Science's no substantial executive role in plan is for a tripartite body relation to the national body.

local government, seven poly-technic staff members and seven nominees of the secretary of state representing other interests. There would also be two representatives of industry and an independent

charmen.
Under the scheme the national council would pay for more than 85 per cent of the costs of public sector higher education. As an incentive to efficient management local authorities will have to meet the remaining 15 per cent of their own polytechnics spending directly.

The 15 per cent direct contribution reoresents a much larger local stage in polytechnics than exists under the present pool-ing arrangements. Because of fears that many local authoritic could not pay it without considerable rate increases. Mr Oakes is expected to suggest phasing the system in over a period of years.

Big changes in the regional

arrangements for coordinating higher education will also be part of the Oakes report. A departmental document endorsed by the committee at the last meeting proposed. encorsed by the committee at its last meeting proposed setting up new further education advisory councils to take over the work of the nine existing regional advisory councils. The new councils would differ by combining responsibility for teacher-induction and its-service training with it.-service training with advanced further education generally but they would have

Lay members on Press Council increased

The number of lay members on the Press Council is to be increased from 10 to 18 to bring about equal representairon with members of the industry.

Authorizing that they had accinted that recommendation by the Royal Commission of the Provs, the Press Council said vestorday that its members felt that public confidence in its impartiality would increased.

The council will in future he composed of an independent chairman, 18 representatives from the newspaper and maga-rine industry, both management and trade union, 18 lay repre-tentatives, and eight consulta-

tive members at at present. The council was faced with reducing the number of fires representatives or increasing its lay membership. It said yesterdir that if it was to retain the respect of editors there had to be a substantial professional that reason it decided that membership had to be

enlarged. Airhough welcoming a num-bar of the royal commission's observations, the council rejects a proposal that its chairman should also be the chairman of he appointments commiss That body, at present chaired by Lord Briggs, of Lewes, is responsible for appointing the lay members of the Press

For the same person to be chairman of both bodies, the cauncil says, would be congary to the Younger committee

Women 'right to

Judge McKinnon, QC, said at the Central Criminal Court

vesterday that women's organi-

vations were right to protest equinst lenient somences for runists. Women had a perfect

mstification in complaining if

when he sentenced a man to six years' jail for rape and a

concurrent four-year term for

wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm. These

intercourse and that he acted in self-defence when he struck

her.
The judge said: "If sexual

offences are not punished in accordance with the tarrif we

have in this court then we shall

certainly hear from the women's

rights organizations, and quite

properly so ... Mr Anthony Wilchen, for the prosecution, said Miss N met

Mr Pilgrim at a party. At his

flat he locked the door, grabbed

her, and when she struggled hit

her over the head with a spirit bottle, cracking her skull and causing cons which needed 30

stitches. She was so terrified

that she submitted to inter-

Liquid analysed

The judge made his comment

rapists were let off lightly.

protest at light

rape sentences'

report of 1972. It was important, too, that the appointments commission should not be part of "a self-perpetuating

A suggestion by the royal commission that Press Council adjudications that uphold complaints should be published on the front pages of newspapers is rejected as impracticable, as is a proposal that the council should drop its practice of requiring an undertaking from complainants that they will not pursue legal action against a newspaper when an adjudication has been made.

In reply to a recommenda-tion that the doctrine of the right of reply should be ex-tended, the council says: "The principle is that any person or commission attacked in the commission attacked to the space for a reasonable reply the thermost the commission of the ment published editorially."

Over reporting racial matters more background and "support-ing information". Commenting on that, the Press Council says it is aware of the possibility of "positive racialism in report-ing and negative racialism which . . . can seriously herm community relationships ...

After welcoming the royal commission's rejection of legislation to deal with intrusion on privacy, the council takes issue with the commission's condemnation of subterfuse by journalists. The council refuses to exclude the possibility that in some instances subterfuge is

Government wants new mortgage rate cut

By Margaret Scone
The Government is looking
for a further cut in the mortgage interest rate and hopes that it would help to prevent a house price rise spiral.

In a letter to Mr Roderick
MacFerguhar, Lebour MP for
Belper, Mr Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said that

building societies would no doubt be considering a cut if funds continued to flow into the movement.
At the Building Societies Association Mr Barnett's letter was seen as "sympathetic" to the difficulties of the building society movement. Mr Barnett acknowledged that the societies

caution over interest rates, which have elicady been cut three times this year, was "understandable". Although money is continuing to pour into the societies in vast quantities—about £550m is predicted for November—they feel it is still a little too early to assess what impact the increase in minimum lending rate and bank rates will have.

Initial hopes that the societies would be announcing a further cut in the manizage rate

ther cut in the mortgage rate next week have had to be virnext week have had to be virtually—but not quite—abandoned. It seems much more
likely that a cut may be
announced in January instead.

In his letter Mr Barnett said
it was important that "the
volume of mortgage finance on
offer should not outstrip the
level which the housing market
may reasonably be expected to
absorb without triggering off
substantial increases in house
prices".

The societies are issuing mortgage funds at the rate of about £800m a morth. Alchough house prices are rising by about 11 per cent a quarter, there is little evidence that they are going up too fast.

Staff to cut teaching

Staff at Brunel University are to stop teaching undergraduates but to continue to teach postgraduates because students are continuing to occupy parts of the university in a protest over differential fees for overseas



Two paintings which fetched record prices for the artists at Christie's yesterday. Lorenzo Lotto's "Madon na and Child with a Donor and his Wife" (£220,000) and, below, Pann mi's "Interior of St Peter's, Rome' (£240,000). (Geraldine Norman, page 16).



Labour 'must contest European elections'

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
Like it or not, the Labour
Perty will have to fight the
elections to the European Parliament, Mr Ronald Hayward,
general secretary of the party,
told Labour supporters at
Frimley Green, Surrey, last
night.

night.
He said a majority in the House of Commons favoured direct elections, even though it was made up largely of Conservatives and members of

"If Parliament decides they shall take place, then they will", Mr Hayward said, "We may hope they happen later, not sooner, and certainly not before our own general election, but they will happen.

"In that event it is inconsistent to be a provided to we have the British." ceivable to me that the British Labour Perty, a great political party with mass electoral support, a party which has become the natural party of government, which is more international in outlook than any other British political party, should stand on the sidelines and let a motley crowd of Tory ceivable to me that the British

Liberals and a rag-bag of independent Labour candidates fight for the right to represent us in Europe:

"However strongly we feel about the Common Market and direct elections, it is not worth direct elections, it is not worth crunaing the risk of so dividing us that we band victory on a plate to the Tories. Britain cannot afford another Tory government, and Britain is more fight for the right to represent us in Europe.

"However strongly we feel about the Common Market and direct elections, it is not worth running the risk of so dividing us that we hand victory on a plate to the Tories. Britain cannot afford another Tory government, and Britain is more important than Brussels."

Thus Mr Hayward's thene

Thus Mr Bayward's theme was that unity in the party must be preserved in order to fight the general election; dissen-sion over Europe must be pushed into second place. "We have survived the worst

"We have survived the worst depression the western world has seen for nearly fifty years and we have survived it in pretty good shape. Unemployment is at a scandalous level, admittedly, but while the Government has done its best to cushion the impact, particularly for school-leavers and those living in our old industrial centres, the problem is far too deep-seated for a minority Lebour Government to attempt Lebour Government to attempt and let a motiey crowd of Tocy merchant bankers, wishy-washy The story could be dif-

In spite of its precarious position at Westminster, the Labour Government bad done a great deal to be proud of. It is bringing inflation under

control; the rate of price in-creases has fallen by a third since last July alone, and we are well on the way towards achieving single-figure inflation by 1978. single-figure inflation by 1976.
We have given workers unprecedented health and safety on their factory floor or in their office.
Women have become equal citi-

The field of old age pensions and other social security benefits has been transformed. Remember what pensions were when Labour took office in March, 1974? Then a single pensioner got: £7.75 a week and a couple £12.50 a week. Now a single pensioner gets £17.50 a week an da couple £28 a week. That is 125 per cent more, and other benefits, for sickness, un-

employment, industrial injury nad war veterans, plus the invalid and mobility allowances introduced by Labour, have gone up also. The benefits of North Sea oil

were about to burst on the country, and with them the chance to transform British industry; the chance to plough more investment into manufacturing, to creat many new jobs and reduce unemployment. After two years of sacrifice by working people , there was a unique chance to create the strong economic base on which

Britain.

Nothing must come between us
and that goal, least of all the
innue of direct elections to the innue of direct elections to the European Parliament. This is an issue which is stirring up great passions in Westminster, but none at all in the country at large. Rightly or wrongly, people could not give a damn about direct elections.

tions.

They do care, however, about making sure that Britain gets a fair deal in the Common Market. They want radical reforms in Common Market policy, particularly when it comes to food prices and protecting our fish supplies, issues which they know affect their everyday life.

Anglo-Irish agreement to protect fisheries

By Hugh Clayton

Britain and the Irish Republic agreed yesterday to combine to protect their fishermen against the rest of the EEC. The pact, sealed over tea at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, strengthens the British Government's determination to resist the European Commission's latest plan for sharing catches in Community

Yesterday's event was carefully orchestrated by the minis-try, usually one of the least theatrical of Whitehall departments. First, officials marshal-led outside the building a dozen fishermen and fishermen's wives from ports in the north-east.

Then Mr Silkin, the minister, strode down the steps like a Hollywood Caesar, straight at the television cameras. The fishermen showed him a net with five-millimetre mesh, which they said had been used by a Danish boat despite EEC rules about using mesh large enough to let immature fish up to a foot long pass through.

Mr Roy Beamish, a weather-beaten skipper from Huli of 30 years' experience, said: "They are literally destroying the grounds". Mr Silkin replied that the key to a successful EEC policy for fish was successful enforcement of its rules. I think we have the best fishery protection service in Europe and the best intelligence service

Since Britain had extended its national waters to 200 miles in January officials had boarded 1,400 boats and had begun more than 30 prosecutions. Mr Silkin was cut short as officials shephered the crowd away

from the cameras to create a clear entrance for Mr Brian Lengthan, Irish Minister for

Fisheries "The basic matter on which our two countries agree is for the establishment of a coastal zone under the management of the two countries". Mr Lerinan said. "We look naturally for bigger quotas than you might like us to get, but there is a strong area of agreement. An unbridled policy will inevitably lead to extinction of our fish stocks."

The commission has propused six rules, which the Ustrea Kingdom and the Irish Repub-lic say offer insufficient protection for replenishment of stocks and give other EEC states too much leeway in the waters of the two countries. In their combined coastal waters the two have more than three quarters of the Community's fish. Mrs Pamela Scotter, a fisher-

man's wife from Bridlington, Humberside, asked Mr Silkin: "Is there any future for our sons?". He replied: "We will do our dannedest to see that there is, but do not underestimate the fight there will be. We are prepared to go on and on and on until we get what is absolutely right and fair."

He would like a solution to be found at a meeting of Community fish ministers next week, but did not expect it. Mr Leniban said the Irish Republic wanted only an exclusive 50-mile zone of its shores. That mile 200e off its shores. That was not quite the same as British policy, because Mr Silkin said: "An exclusive rone is on the table, but if anyone can come up with an alternative that works, of course we will look at it".

Petrol price warning to garages By Our Commercial Editor

Unless garages stop selling part-gallons of petrol at higher prices the Government will consider fresh legislative action, Mr Robert MacLennan, Under-Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said in a Commons written reply

yesterday.

Some petrol retailers, while offering discounts on posted pump prices, gave the discount on "full gallons only", he said. Motorists who asked a pump attendant to fill up a vehicle, or for so many pounds' worth of petrol, might pay more than they should they should. Mr MacLennan urged motor-

ists to avoid garages making such conditions of sale or to make sure purchases were in full gallous.

Unless there was a marked improvement by garages in the practice, which he felt was undesirable and unnecessary, Mr MacLeonan said, further action would be considered when the partial prices display when the petrol prices display order was reviewed soon.

Skateboard park to replace zoo

Plymouth 200, which is owned by Chipperfields, is to close this month and be replaced by

Animals from the 200, which opened 15 years ago, will be moved to safari parks at Longleat. Woburn, Liverpool and

Move to set up national film register

By Philip Howard The history of this century is recorded in moving pictures as well as by the printed word. A report published today makes an important step towards en-suring that information about the principal visual records of the age is permanently and readily available.

A working party appointed to consider the development of the Slade Film History Register recommends it should become a central register of film material likely to be of interest to historians, performing a similar service to that of the National Register of Archives for written documents.

Studies of the twentieth century are still at an early stage Nobody working in them can afford to ignore for long the sorts of evidence offered by

The Shade register was established in 1969 at the instigation of Professor Thoroid Dickinson, of the Slade School of Fine Art, University College London, with a grant from the Social Science Research Council. In 1975, when the grant ended the register's staff dispersed and the holdings were trans-ferred to the British Universi-ties Film Council.

The working party recom-mends that the register should be expanded to include tele vision material. It also recommends that all interests in the arts and sciences should be catered for, not merely those

of historians.

The register should become the national register of film and television collections. Its work would be overseen by a stand-ing advisory committee of academics, archivists, librarians and representatives of film and television producers. The records would be augmented by reports recording the scope and main strengths of all film and television collections in Great Britain, including those in private hands, and comprehen-

sive indexes.

The estimated cost of those recommendations would be 537,000 for the first year. The report is being published as an invitation for comment and financial support.

Report of the working party on the future development of the Slade Film History Register. Universities Film Council, Royalty House, 72 Dean Street, London, WIV 5HB, £1).

£300 fine over chemical blast

Robinson Brothers, a chemical company at Sandwell, West Midlands, was fined £300 at

Midland bus experiment pays dividend

By Michael Baily

Company and Warwickshire County Council, which stood to meet those losses.

are the least sentences I can properly pass", he said. where, plagued equally Samuel Pilgrim, aged 40, a pump operator, of Netherwood Road, Hammersmith, London, pleaded not guilty, claiming common sense and good man that Miss X, an American secretary, had consented to agement

meet those requirements in the most economical way.

a new

ing this week.

years ago and was formerly

part of the estate of Lord Howe.

The group intends to transfer

gaming activities from the Hert-

ford Club near by.
The building, erected in 1750,

was later redesigned by Robert Adam and was occupied after the war by the Royal Worcester

fifths in buses and almost a allows buses to follow different third in staff have been routes at different times of eved for a loss of only a

achieved for a loss of only a twentieth in passengers and an eighth in milage.

The previous pattern was largely one that had developed since the 1930s, but, as in much of the country, had been reudered increasingly inappropriate by growing car use. Passengers were being lost at about 5 per cent a way, and about 5 per cent a year, and the deficit was rising at about the same rate. Of 55,000 passengers carried each week, a third was to work, a third to school, and a third to shopping and social visits. More than half were under 24.

"The county were making warning noises, and we felt they would ultimately reduce or withdraw support", Midland Red said. "We decided to find a network that would be viable from the feature that would be viable. from the fare box alone."
Market analysis threw up a new
pattern of service, with buses
taking different routes and operating at different times. In many cases two buses did the work previously done by three.

day, since the destinations of workers are often different from those of shoppers and social callers. Passengers carried since May, when the new service started, are down by only 2,500 or 5 per cent a week. Costs fell by 35 per cent and revenue by only 7 per cent.

It bodes well for Midland Red, which is thought to be losing about £500,000 on a turnover of £20m. Our objective is to rationalize the present muddled system, in which bus companies by to operate what companies try to operate what they think the county will want, but do not know if the county will pay for, the company

We have a viable network which we can take commercial responsibility for, and the county, a political body with some funds available, can some funds available, can decide how much more it wants in the form of extra work buses, cheaper fares for the elderly and special trips to hospitals and shops."

days John Paton, aged 41, was sentenced at Leeds Crown Court yesterday to life imprisonment for the murder of Robert Houston, aged 23, of Clayton-le-Moors, Lancashire, a fellow inmate in Wakefield jail. Mr Paron, of Luton, Bed-fordshire, was convicted after a

seven-day retrial. He had pleaded not guilty on November 21 and his trial egan, but two days later he changed his plea to guilty and was sentenced to life imprison-

Justice Pain brought Mr Paton before the court again because the jury had not been directed to return a formal verdict of embassies in London.

The officer said that during a three-month period more than 5,000 hoax calls were recorded.

think big, Mr Rippon says By Our Political The need for Europeans, In

Europeans must

cluding the British, to "think bie " was emphasized in Hartlepool yesterday, by Mr Geoffrey Rippon, QC, Conservative MP for Hexham and leader of the Conservative group in the European Parliament. Since Denmark and Britain

foined the EEC the Community had "thought big" only once when it decided on direct elections for the European Parliament, he said. The signsficance of that decision had not been lost on Americans, he said, for the United States Congress had passed an Act estab-lishing a statutory basis to its relations with the European

It had done so, Mr Rippon said, on the ground that "the provision is intended to give recognition to what is argu-ably becoming, from the United Stores perspective, the most important other parliamentary body in the world.

Attacking the Government's delay in proceeding with the European Direct Elections Bill, Mr David Howell, Conservative MP for Guildford who leads for the Opposition on the Bill, said yesterday that there was no chance that the cruciel issue of the method of election would be fully discussed on the one day that had been allotted. Unless the Government had

a dramatic change of heart was little prospect that the Commons could discuss the main part of the Bill until January, and the chance of meeting the May-June deadline for the elections grew ever dimmer. " Parliament is not going to

be tricked into decisions about electoral reform by devices of this kind, and we are not going to have a half-baked version of proportional representation smuggled through on the under-belly of this vitally important constitutional Bill. whose successful passage many of us wish to see ".

Hospital has to refuse £10 bonus for many patients

By a Staff Reporter

A psychiatric hospital in Hertfordshire is having to re-fuse the £10 Christmas pension bonus for most of its patients because they already have more money than they can spend. This bitter unseasonal paradox in a branch of medicine chronically short of money is caused by the rigidities of official regulations.

Two years ago the Govern-ment introduced a non-vontributory invalidity pension (NCIP) of £3,50 a week for males between the ages of 16 and 65 and females between the old age pension when they reach pensionable age. Those who were already of pensionable age in 1975 and those under 16 receive nothing. In addition, there is a new official incentive system that enables medical consultants

and nurses to reward a patient with up to £4 a week. Each patient has a private bank account and draws money to spend on such things as tooth-paste, sweets and cigarettes. The health service accountant has advised that the balances in those accounts should be

liable to criticism for usurping the money of its patients. The departmental rules say that the noney is for personal, not joint Cell Barnes Hospital, at St

Albans, has about 650 patients, whose mental ages range from a few months to 10. About 100 of them are not eligible for the Christmas pension bonus eny-way, either because they are under 16 or because they were too old when the NCIP was introduced.
What the hospital would like

to do is to accept the bonus for those of its patients who can manage to spend it (about one in 10), and use the bonus of the rest either for its really old people who ger nothing, or for purchases for the general good.

Dr Gordon Fisher, medical coordinator of the hospital, said yesterday: "We should be irresponsible to let the balances of patients grow above the departmental limit, with no hope of them spending the money.

"To accept the bonus for some and not for others invites criticisms from outside of discrimination. What we should like to do is spend the money kept at about £100. It is in- on things for the wards that vidious to spend the money are desperately needed for the on such things for general use general good. But that is on such things for general use general good. But that is in the wards as television sets, illegal."

West Bromwich Magistrates Courtyard after an explosion in which Mr Kenneth Smith, aged 41, was fatally injured. The company admitted a

breach of factory regulations concerning highly inflammable liquids. The explosion, kest August, rocked a processing

Polytechnics angry over spending plans

By Our Education Correspondent

Tue polytechnics are angry about the Government's decision to give more money to the universities than to vanced education in the public sector. The Times reported wrongly on Thursday that the universities share of total pub-lic funds for advanced further education was to be cut.

That report was based on an announcement on Wednesday by Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science. that Government spending plans for 1981-82 were based on plans for 1981-82 were based on the assumption that student therefore, the total number of numbers in the universities in students in the advanced public money for new buildings."

Great Britain would increase by sector in Great Britain is ex-14 per cent, while those following advanced courses in the public sector in England and Wales, other than in teacher training, would rise by about 39 per cent.

account the Government's assumption of a fall by half in the numbers in teacher training in England and Wales, from 86,500 last year to 38,000 in 1981. and of a slight increase in the total advanced non-university sector in Scotland from

27.400 to 31,000.

pected to rise from 244,200 last year to 250,000 in 1981, an increase of only 3 per cent, while the university sector will in-crease from 271,800 to 310,000, an increase of 14 per cent; and However, it did not take into Government funds will be allocated on that basis. One director of a polytechnic

> who attended a meeting of the Committee of Directors of Polytechnics on Thursday said they were "absolutely livid at the way Mrs Williams is quite surreptitiously favouring the universities in every way, pushing more money and students into them, and giving them more

Faults in 97 recently modern to the covenant variation in the council houses at Rye Hill. cluded the Howe Estate and the Newscattle upon Tyne, will gost Curron House Club, owned by at least \$1300,000 to pur right. Coral Leisure Group.

after deaths Liquid in a bettle taken by long lease on 30 Curson Street, edice from the Sedco Joil rise, which was sold for £2.7m four police from the Sedco J oil ris, on the Thistle Field, off Sherland, after the death of two men is being analysed. It is believed that at least

one of the men had been blinded and suffered severe liancy failure £309,000 housing faults the war by the Mayar Objectors

Transport Correspondent Stratford-on-Avon's buses, which lost about £50,000 last year, seem likely to make a £50,000 profit this year. The passengers, who get much the same service, are fairly happy. So are the Midland Red Bus

It is a transformation being closely watched by bus operators and local authorities elserising fares, disappearing pas-sengers, and mounting deficits. Yet all that Stratford has done, some would say, is to apply

The bus company undertook detailed market research to find out what services were wanted by the people of Stratford and a dozen miles around; then modified routes and timetables quite extensively to

Mayfair to get **Parliament** switchboards casino next year

A new casino will be opened by the Ladbroke Group in May-Ejaz Ahmed, unemployed and homeless, was said at Marl-borough Street Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday to have jammed the switchboards fair, London, late next year after objections to the variation of a 41-year-old covenant, originally designed to protect the of the Houses of Parliament by ringing up and then putting residential quality of the surrounding district, were with-drawn at a Lands Tribunal heardown the receiver as soon as he was put through. switchboards were jammed up to 100 times a day, it was Ladbroke's is taking out a

added. He was remanded in custody until December 23 for mental and medical reports when he admitted causing annoyance and inconvenience by repeatedly telephoning the Houses of Parliament.
His calls, Det Constable
Anthony Heigh said, were also

used to pester telephonists at the United States and Pakistani

Hoaxer jammed | Man sentenced to life jail twice in 10 days. For the second time in 10

But on November 24 Mr

Speculation over Chirac visit to Elysee

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Dec 2

M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader and Mayor of Paris, has aroused political speculation by asking to see President Ciscard d'Estaing at the Elvsée Palace. They will meet on Wednesday evening.

In the meantime, the Gaullist leader has cancelled all interviews and engagements, notably a radio interview on Sunday, and postponed visits to the provinces until he has met the President.. The meeting, inevitably, has

a far reaching political signifi-cance. Like all M Chirac's moves, it is calculated to propel him dramatically to the centre of the limelight, which has tended in recent weeks to move away from him on to M Giscard d'Estaing and M Barre, the Prime Minister. The President and M Chirac,

The President and M Chirac, whose personal relations continue to be strained, even though they have agreed to hary the hatchet until the parliamentary elections in March, when M Chirac was elected Mayor of Paris. That was a strain formal occurrent.

purely formal occasion.

This time, M Chirac, a former Prime Minister, wants to have a heart to heart discussion with the President on the political situation and the prospects for the Government parties in the the Government parties in the elections, which give him increasing cause for concern. From his systematic canvassing of the departments—he has visited 22 out of 90 in the past two months—he has become convinced that the left remains as dangerous divided as it was before the breach between Socialists and Communists on September 22.

The breach has scarcely, if at all, undermined the com-bined strength of both leading opposition parties in the counopposition parties in the country or benefited the Government parties. The reason, as M Chirac sees it, is that M Barre's economic plan has failed. A different remedy is therefore urgently required to rally the support of the 2 per cent or 3 per cent of undecided voters who will decide the outcome will decide the outcome at the poils.

At the same time, the parties of the Government coalition must give public opinion a more dynamic and positive image of their own unity and their ob-iectives, by refraining from behind-the-scenes manoeuvres against one another, on the false assumption that the danger from the left has declined, and with it the appeal of the

M Chirac is, of course, parricularly sensitive to veiled threats to the Gaullists' distinct personality through attempts to whip them into line behind the

M Chirac's problem is to de-fend the identity of his party, without undermining the unity of the Government majority, or challenging the position of the President. His call on M Giscard d'Estaing is a demonstration of his loyalty to the presidential institution, and a clever attempt to steal a march on the Gov-ernment and on his coalition

Dutch fail to renew Agee permit

From Our Correspondent Amsterdam, Dec 2 Philip Agee, the author and

former CIA agent expelled from Britain, has not had his permit Eritain, has not had his permit to stay in Hulland renewed, the Ministry of Justice announced. The Ministry said Mr Ageo had originally applied for a une-year permit. He was instead allowed to stay for three months on condition that he abstained form artisistics that could enfrom activities that could en-danger public order and national security, or damage Holland's foreign relations. It is understood that Mr Agee. considered to have had damag-ing affect on these relations. The Ministry refused to com-ment, saying the matter was sub judice.

Mr Agee's appeal against the original decision to refuse him a one-year permit will be heard on December 19. Pending the hearing he may remain in the country. A final decision by the location Minister on whatever to Justice Minister on whatever to



EEC policy under Tories From Michael Hornsby

A Conservative government would pursue a policy towards the EEC very little different in its essentials from that of the Labour Government. This was the clear impression left by Mrs Margaret Thatcher after two days of talks in Brussels with Nato and European Commission officials. At a farewell press confer-

Wilson, Britain had "not played the most willingly cooperative in a Tory Britain. He believed part in the Community". Under a Conservative government, she promised, there would be a insistence on the Community's a Conservative government, she promised, there would be a change of attitude ".

Pressed to say what this

would mean in practice, Mrs Thatcher was at a loss to identify any important area of policy where the Tories might policy where the Tories might have acted differently from the present Government. The only suggestion she could offer was that the Tories would not have "mucked about" for so long before introducing a Bill on direct elections to the European Parliament.

Sitting at her side, Mr John Davies, the Conservative spokes-man on European affairs, chipence, Mrs Thatcher said that ped in to say that he thought under Mr Callaghan and Mr the EEC might be nearer to

for oil.

On fisheries, Mrs Thatcher said that the Tories would pre-fer Britain to have exclusive control over its coastal waters until " we are certain that catch quotas can be properly moni-tored". This is fully in line with current Government policy which is the main cause of the impasse in the negotiations to get a new EEC fisheries policy. The clear impression from the press conference was that in an increasingly electoral atmosphere in Britain, an overly effusive pro-European stance is not likely to win votes.

Bookseller on trial for selling 'violent' paper

From Patricia Clough

Thoms Kram of Bochum thoms Kram of Bochum today became the first person to go on trial in West Germany under a controversial law which punishes booksellers and newsvendors who sell material advocating crime and violence.

Herr Kram is accused of having put on sale in his bookshop wix conject of a newspaper

shop six copies of a newspaper which allegedly advocated the destruction of the state apparatus and armed conflict. The paper, entitled Revolutionary Rage, was allegedly published by an extreme left-wing group. He faces a maximum penalty

He faces a maximum penalty of three years' imprisonment and a possible ban on selling books in future.

The court in Dortmund today rejected an application to send Herr Kram's case to the Constitutional Court to test the validity of the law. Commonly known as "paragraph 88a" ir punishes anyone who sells, distinctional court to the commonly known as "paragraph 88a" in punishes anyone who sells, distinctional court to the commonly known as "paragraph 88a" in punishes anyone who sells, distinctional court to the court to t

punishes anyone who sells, distributes or passes on material advocating serious crimes.

Meanwhile, the Government is becoming alarmed by the soaring numbers of conscientious objectors who apply to do civilian instead of military service. It is planning to make them live in barracks.

Many of the conscientious objectors live at home while doing their 15 months' work in hospitals and other institutions.

The Defence Ministry calculates that the number of conscientious objectors, which ran at an average of just over 2,000 a month in 1971, was 10,000 this month. It predicts anything up to 140,000 for the coming vent.

year.

Herr Georg Leber, the Defence Minister, has said that if this continued the situation would become worrying in the first half of next year. But he promised that it would not be allowed to affect the efficiency of the armed forces. The Federal Ombudsman for

the civilian service, Herr Hans Iven, outlined an eight-point plan for the service to the Constitutional Court yesterday. Besides a barracks life for conscientious objectors, it included plans for them to work as well plans for them to work as well in civil defence and environ-

ment projects.

The court was hearing a case brought by the Christian Democratic majority in the Bundesrat (Upper House) against 2 law abolishing the "conscience test" for young men who claimed to be conscientious objectors.

A representative of the social A representative of the social Democrat-Free Democrat Government majority said it was impossible for a committee to distinguish between a real and a pretended conscientious objector. The court's decision will be amnounced in March.

Huge assault hovercraft is tested by Russia

Navy is testing a huge, 90 mph, armoured assault bovercraft capable of transporting hundreds of marines with tanks, allied intelligence sources said today. Intelligence photographs show

Intelligence photographs show the craft speeding behind a wall of spray over the Babic near the East German island of Rügen, a main military training and weapons test area for the Warsaw Pact. It is estimated to carry some 400 marines or a lesser number with tanks.

The sources said that the hovercraft was in an advanced state of testing an dhas been used in exercises with Soviet. Polish and East German navail infantry as the Warsaw Pact describes its amphibious forces.

It appears to be armoured in It appears to be armoured in some areas, such as in the bow,

Brussels, Dec 2.—The Soviet guided automatic cannon, appa-yavy is testing a huge, 90 mph, rently as a defence against enemy aircraft or for use against the defenders of an enemy beach.

The Hovercraft is powered by four engines, weighs about 225-250 tons and is about 150ft long. It has a bow ramp to dis-charge troops and vehicles. The sources said that Nato

The sources said mar Nato military commanders were concerned about the Soviet decision to develop an assault hovercraft because it would vastly increase the striking power of the 11,000 Warsaw Pact amphibious troops in the

Hovercraft can also move over land and thus could pass over the bogs, rivers and canals in Denmark and Schleswig-Holstein which now act as natural defensive barriers for

Communists attack leftist report

From Charles Hargrove

Paris, Dec 2

The French Communist Party has reacted with predictable violence to a report on the development of European union to the Western European Union WEU) Assembly earlier this week by M Raymond Forni, a leading member of the Socialist Party's left-wing group, the

The report called for "harmonization of the strategic concepts of member countries" and the "reinforcement of con-sultation procedures" in Western defence.

It was the first time a French Socialist—and, what is more, a prominent representative of the Socialist left, which is close to the Communist Party but very critical of the independent French deterrent and of Western defence cooperation—had aired his views on the subject before the Assembly.

The report showed how the The report showed how the Ceres view is evolving towards the mainstream party view. It will be discussed in detail at a Socialist Party intended to

deterrent, but emphasized the need for a "real policy of European defence by the Euro-peans?. Only then would a more effective control by the WEU, both of nuclear stocks and of sales of conventional

armaments, become possible.

M Jean Kanapa, the member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party responsible for international affairs, described the report as "absolutely astounding". He said its objective was the setting up of a "common West European a "common West European defence at the service of auto-matic military commitments". He claimed it was in complete agreement with the Ciscardian

and Centrist views.

He said the Forni report proclaimed that a Socialist Government "would submit our file said the French community should be said the French community should reflect on this and

special Socialist congress on defence in Paris this month.

Al Forni not only endorsed the Gaullist view of the necessity for an independent nuclear deterrent, but emphasized the government in France".

After reading it, it was clear why M Mitterrand, the Socialist

leader, rejected an autonomous national defence. The Forni report threw overboard the fundamental principles of the left-wing common programme on defence. It revealed "the right turn by the Socialist Parry".

Parry".

M Forni said today that his report said the nuclear deterrent was a sufficiently serious matter for a country not to leave it to an international forum to decide on its possible Emitation or abandonment.

"But an independent defence, in which I believe, does not imply the abandonment of all

nists should reflect on this and follow the lead of their Italian the comrades who had approved his

Italy's new speed limits face criticism From Peter Nichols

Rome, Dec 2 The final rush before Christ-

resultations imposed by the Italian Government which have come in for some heavy criticism from, among others, the Italian Automobile Club.

The complexity of the new law is seen to be its principal weakness. The speed timit within built-up areas of 50 kilometres an hour (31 mph) applies to all cars, but on roads outside towns and on the motorways there are varying limits for cars of different cylinder capacity. Cars are divided into four groups and each group is allotted a different maximum

speed on roads and on motor-ways, meaning that there are eight in all and nine, counting 50 kilometre an hou in built up areas, which in fact has always existed but has been widely ignored.

Despite the complications, the system is far from being regarded as fair to all. The owner for instance of a 650 cc Fiat 126 is allowed to travel at a maximum speed of 110 kilometres to have a maximum speed. a maximum speed of 110 kilo-metres an hour even though the declared maximum speed for this model is 105 kilometres an hour.

At the other end of the scale, the owners of cars with large engines are said to be penalized because the difference between their effective top speeds and the maximum allowed by law is much wider than that for small

The multiplicity of permitted speeds makes checking more difficult. Instruments have to tell the difference between classes of cars as well as check the speed. Most of the instrument the police will use have not yet been distributed, anyway, according to the Automobile Clubs, though the regulations came into effect on November 1.

The new limits are expected The new limits are expected to decrease the number of fatal accidents on Italian roads. These have already fallen because of the economic crisis. Last year the number of deaths on the road was below 9,000 for the first time since 1966. The peak was reached in 1972 with 11,078 deaths.

Several factors have helped, including better roads and safety campaigns, but almost certainly a degree of self-limitation of speed by motorists because of the rising costs of fuel, and better maintenance of cars have contributed to the improvement.

The weak point of the new The weak point of the new system is that a quarter of all accidents in built-up areas occur at street corners without traffic lights or policemen. The argument is heard that the speed limit in built-up areas should be varied according to the relative safety of the road.

Paintings worth £100,000 stolen in The Hague

The Hag's, Dec 2.—Eleven paintings valued at moer than 450,000 guilders (about £100,000), including one by Van Gogh, were stolen from the Citizens' Municipal Museum of The Hague, the police said today.

The paintings vanished from storage room in the basement of the museum. of the museum.

The Van Gogh, called "A Natural Bird's Nest", was the most valuable, worth about 200,000 guilders.—AP.

OVERSEAS.

Tripoli summit sets out to change map of alliances and balance of forces throughout Arab world

The six hard-line leaders of the Arab world today began talks here in an attempt to unify opposition to President Sadar's peace overtures to

Colonel Caddafi, rheir Libyan host, led the delegates from Algeria, Iraq the Palestine Liberation Organization, South Yemen and Syria into the ornate former palace of King Idris to start work on a common stand which he hoped would leave President Sadar even more iso-lated, than he is at present

The meeting was remarkable in itself as a reflection of the new closeness between pre-viously fractious Arab neighviously fractions Arab neighbours. Not only were the Iraqis and Syrians laying aside their bitter political rivalries, if only temporarily, but Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, was seated at the conference table flanked by his two hard-line associates, Dr George Habash and Mr Nayef Hawatmeh.

It was the Palestinians who

Melbourne, Dec 2

Two polls published today pur the Australian Government ahead of the Opposition, only one week before the general election.

The first, run by Australian Public Opinion Polis, found that tire Liberal-National

Country Party Government would have been returned if the election had been held last weekend.

The coalition would have required 45 per cent of the vote compared with 42 per cent for Labour. After the distribution

of minor party preferences, the coalition would have received 52 per cent of the preferred vote to Labour's 48 per cent.

front the dangerous results of the [Sadet] visit." No details were disclosed, but

it is understood that the most radical of the hard-liners are seeking a complete breach of diplomatic relations with Egypt and an economic boycott. According to a spokesman, the Palestinians and Iraqis have broughe a clear-cut plan to Tripoli and the Libyans will also present a set of proposals. By the end of the conference, the "rejectionists" are hoping to formulate a position that will tempt more moderate Arab

tempt more moderate Arab states, such as Sudan, into the anti-Sadat camp. They hope that a show of strength, couched in appropriately moderate language, well bring about what a conference source termed "a change in the whole map of Arab alliances and the balance of forces in the Arab world".

give the coalition a majority of up to 25 seats in the 124-seat House of Representatives, com-pared with 55 in the present 127-seat House.

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The second, a Gallup poll, shows an increase in the popularity of Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Prime Minister. It was also taken last weekend and shows that 46 per cent of those asked approve of the way Mr Fraser is handling the job. This is Mr Fraser's highest Gallup poll approval rating this year and shows an increase of 5 per cent since early November.

The way Mr Gough Whitiam, the leader of the Opposition, is handling his position, is approved by 42 per cent of those asked, an increase of 2 per cent since early November.

vote to Labour's 48 per cent.

A similar result in the election on Saturday week would the Government in a week in Democrats' preferences.

Polls favour Fraser Government

started the first session of three allotted time preventing Colonel and a half hours, with their riew of the "necessity to continuous, from leading his guests to prayers in a near by

Moscow: President Brezhnev today assured Mr Tareq Aziz, a member of Iraq's Revolu-tionary Command Council, of

The conference reconvened five hours later and heard a message from President Amin of Uganda. As a member of the PLO delegation read it, reactions ranged from a quizzical smile on President Assad's face to laughter from President Bournedienne. mosque.

continuing Soviet support for continuing Soviet support for the Arab cause and the goal of liberating all Israel-held Arab territory. He also reaffirmed Soviet support for the Palestinians and their struggle for national rights, Tass reported. Cairo: Egypt has not yet decided whether to invite Palestinians from the West Bank of change in the whole map of closed whether to invite Palestinanes and the balance of forces in the Arab world".

Araing at agreement is likely to prove a difficult task, however.

The first session overran its

last night with a dropped jaw, a kiss on each cheek and an entry permit free of charge, with the compliments of the Exprian Government. Boumedienne.

no Cairo last night by way of Rome without an Egyption visa nor a permit from his own Gov-enment to enter an "enemy" country. He reported to his newspaper this morning that the Egyptian control officer could not believe his eyes when he first saw the

Mr Grinshpan made no secret of the fact that he had no visa, but the problem was brushed eside. He was token to a room where he chatted with Egyptians over cups of coffee and tea for which the ride seems to have turned in their direction. A week ago the first Gallup Poll since the policy speeches were delivered also supported the coalition, giving it 45 per cent. Labour 42 and Australian Democrats 9 per cent.

After a bad start to the mampaign, it now looks as though the Government can retain office, although with a reduced majority. The result of the election might still be decided by the preferences of Australian Democrats' supporters. two hours until a senior official was reached and the omission rectified. One of the Ezyptians then insisted on driving Mr. Grinshpan, who was born in Egypt but has Israeli citizen-ship to his hotel.

Cairo kisses

who did not

The first journalist to reach

Cairo on an Israeli passport was

received at immigration control

While officials in Jerusalem

were awaiting answers from Cairo about arrangements for

Israeli journalists to cover the

forthcoming Cairo talks, Mr Sami Grinshpan, foreign news

editor of Yediot Aharonot, flew

Ismeli passport. After another lock, however, he left his counter and kissed the bearer. Policemen, customs officers and

porters crowded around to shoke Mr Grinshpan's band.

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have visa

From Moshe Brilliant

Tel Aviv, Dec 2

The Ministry of the Interior in Terrisalem issued a statement reminding citizens and per-manent residents that they must aconire special permits to visit; an "enemy" country.

Mr Kosygin to visit Finland next week

Moscow, Dec ! — Mr Kosygio. the Soviet Prime Minister, will lead a delegation to Relsinki for the sixueth anniversary of Finnish independence next week, Tass said today.—Agence France-Presse.

Nightly gun battles in | 1m acres may change Ethiopian capital

Nairobi, Dec 2.-Political violence in Addis Ababa has reached the point where fire from automatic weapons fills the night for hours at a time,

according to diplomats in the Ethiopian capital.

Two nights ago heavy fight-ing broke out in several areas of the city. The diplomats said this was the worst such out-break since May, when 1,000 demonstrating students and activists were shot by security Last night the shooting, again

in several parts of the city, lasted for less than an hour.
Ethiopian newspapers today carried a report from the official Rehippian masses account of the city.

teacher, a civil servent and another man, identified as "ringleaders of the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party" were killed and many more captured in a gun bettle.

Diplomats said they suspended a newest struckle was so.

Diplomats said they suspected a power struggle was going on in the Dergue. This led to the execution of the Deputy Head of State, Lieutenant-General Atmaiu Abate, and to gun battles and the settling of personal scores at other levels. The Diplomats said the prolonged battles now going on longed battles now going on appeared partly to be Govern-

ment attempts to preempt assassingtion attempts.

The official report in the newspers today said those killed and captured "were preing action against counterparing to commit acts of revolutionaries "has been violence against progressives significantly intensified". when their hideout was it said that early yesterday a stormed ".—Reuter.

The Somali delegation, led by

The Development Aid Ministry would neither confirm nor deay reports that these would cost West Germany about DM33m over the next two years.

The Government made it clear once again that despite its gratitude it is not going to send arms to Somalia and intends to stay neutral in the war with Ethiopia.

Bonn repays Somalia for role in hostages' rescue

From Our Own Correspondent many Germans had never even heard of. Bonn, Dec 2

A hastily organized unofficial fund entitled "Thanks to Somalia" has already collected DM350,000 (£87,500) to help Somali orphans. Major-General Husain Kukmie Afrah, the Vice-President, discussed German financing for a project to settle nomads and a sizable contribution to an internationally-financed dam to provide injustice.

Bonn, Dec 2

A Somali delegation has ended a visit here with promises of fresh aid from a grateful West German Government.

Heart Schmidt, the Chancellor, had promised that his country would not forget Somalia's action last October in allowing a West German commando unit to rescue the 86 hostages held by terrorists in a Lutchansa airliner at Mogadishu sirport.

The gesture turned Somalia overnight into West Germany's favourite developing country.

overnight into West Germany's favourite developing country. Mr Yusuf Adan Boksh, its Ambassador in Bonn, was fêred by the Cabiner and enthusiastically applauded in Parliament. Herr Schmidt went to the Embassy's national day reception—a rare honour—and television channels rang long documentaries on the country that

Moroccan King

cancels talk with reporters Rabat, Dec 2.—King Hassan of Morocco today cancelled without explanation a meeting with six American reporters intended as a prelude to the King's first visit to the United States for more than a decade.

> United States over a press conference given in Washington yesterday by Mr Hakim Ibrahim, spokesman of the Polisario guerrilla movement, which is fighting Moroccan and Mauritanian forces in the former Spanish Sahara. Moroccan officials declined to say whether there to say whether there was any link between the press confer-ence and cancellation of the King's talk with the correspon-

At the same time, Moroccan

officials angrily protested to the

Czech border guard slips into W Germany

Furth im Wald, Dec 2.—An armed member of the Czecho-slovak border guard slipped caross the West German border, last night before the rest of his unit realized that he was missing, West German border police said today.—AP. Furth im Wald, Dec 2.—An armed member of the Czecho-

hands in US reform

Washington, Dec 2

Democrats' supporters.

In the Gallup Poli of a week ago, 47 per cent of the Demo-crats' supporters gave their second preferences to the coali-

tion and 37 per cent to Labour. This was a disappointment for

Washington, Dec 2
Up to one milition acres of farmland in the Mid West and Far West could change hands in what would be the most far-reaching land reform undertaken by the United States Government in more than a

century.

In a limite remarked announcement this summer, Mr
Cecil Andrus, the Secretary of
the Interior, unveiled complex
proposals which would force
large corporate agricultural interests to sell federally irrigated land to smallholders at an approved price. Failure to comply would result in a cut-off of water supplies from federal

sentee ownership. Lessed land would be subject to similar

from the East Coast, the Homestead Act of 1862 granted

irrigation schemes.

In addition landowiers would be obliged to live on their land or within a 50-mile radius as a deterrent to ab-

would be subject to similar restrictions.

The draft regulations, which have provoked a lively debate in those areas likely to be most affected, would close loopholes in legislation adopted at the beginning of this century; this in turn was based on pioneering incentives introduced in the middle of the last century.

As an inducement to settlers tionestead Act of 1862 granted free parcels of land of up to 160 acres to individuals who were willing to occupy and improve it. All he (or she) needed was a few lengths of barbed wire to stake our and them register a claim. By 1880, more than 55 million acres had been raken up in the 17 states west of the Missouri.

About 20 years later, when

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About 20 years later, when virtually all the easily cultivated land had been apportioned, President Roosevelt, as part of his Administration's conservation programme, authorized the creation of large dams and reservoirs at public expense to reclaim neglected

land. Under the 1902 Reclamaland. Under the 1902 Keckman-tion Act, water supplies were theoretically restricted to those farms of less than 160 acres covered by the Homestead Act. But over the years, largely because of loopholes in the 1902 Act, large corporate farm-ing ingresses have accumulated

ing interests have accumulated big landholdings through interlocking ownership arrange-ments. Not surprisingly, this ments. Not surprisingly, this upset many small farmers, particularly a group in California who finally won a court order last year compelling the Government to righten existing legislation.

The proposed regulations published in August in response to the court order would affect a maximum of 1,074,000 acres of farming land out of a total of about nine million acres covered by the Reclamation Act. Sale prices would be controlled by the Government to prevent windfall profits to speculators

culators.

The proposals have come under heavy attack from many quarters, especially agricultural corporations which would stand to lose most. Since the plan was smoothned, the Department of the Interior has received more than 7,000 letters, most of them highly critical. The opposents' most frequent argument is that the new regulations would interfere with natural market forces.

forces.

The Administration has responded by organizing public hearings throughout the mid-West and Far West. It has also agreed to postpone to the end of the year the normal three-month period during which objections can be lodged. At least four suits have been submitted to delay the implementation of the proposed laws. These claim that environmental impact studies are required before the changes can take effect. A final decision by Mr Andrus is promised by March 1 at the latest.

Mrs Carter may return Hungarian crown jewels

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Dec 2

which have been in American custody since the war, will probably be returned to Budapest in early January, possibly by Mrs Rosalyan Carter. The original plan was to return St Stephen's Crown and the various other insignia of Hungarian royalty this month. Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, who is attending a Nato meeting in Brussels next week, intended to take them to Budapest afterwards. The reason given here for the delay

Hungarian crown jewels,

is his unexpected preoccupation with the Middle East. If Mrs Carter cannot manage to deliver the crown, then Mr Vance may yet do so. The Presi-dent and Mrs Carter are setting our on a tour of Asia and Europe on December 29. They will go first to Warsaw, and proceed thence to India by way

Brussels before returning to the United States. Hungarian-Americans tinue to protest against the decision to return the crown.

They claim that to do so is to

sanctify an amestic and un-democratic regime which was imposed upon Hungary by the Red Army, and which remains in power solely because of Russian support. The protests have had no effect. It is now admirted here that the Americans have no business keeping other business keeping other countries national treasures in

Forr Knox, however much they may disapprove of their regimes.

The Crown of Sr Stephen was presented to a mediaeval king of Hungary by the Pope. By accepting it, the king accepted western Catholicism andhurned his back on the east end Constantinople. Hungary has ever since considered itself part of Western Europe, and St Stephen's Crown is the symbol of that edlegiance.

This was one of the reasons that led the Americans to keep it after it was confided into their cart in 1945. They feered that it would be buried in some Hungarian Fort Knox, or even destroyed.

Heyerdahl reed boat sails on after repairs

Baghdad, Dec 2—Professor
Thor Heyerdahl, the Norwegian
explorer, today resumed his
voyage through the Gulf to the
Indian Ocean from southern
Iraq after being delayed for
nine days for repairs to his
reed boat,
Professor Heyerdahl, aged 63,
wants to prove that the wants to prove that the Sumerians, the earliest known civilized settlers of what is now

by sea. The Kon Tiki explorer says the design of his 59fr beat, Tigris, dates back 5,000 years. It has been undergoing rudder repairs at Fao

lraq, spread their civilization

Sea rescue after week in dinghy

Veletta, Dec 2.—Two injured, and exhausted Maltese seemen who drifted for seven days in the Mediterranean in a rubber dingly have been rescued after a search by RAF sircreft based in Malta.

The men abandoned the Cypniot registered coastal trader Queen of Peace when

the ship foundered in heavy. seas on a voyage from Reggo to Benghani.—Reuter.

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Republican hopefuls start to think about 1980 nomination

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Dec 2

Senator Robert Dole was the

was Governor of Georgia, started running for the Democratic nomination immediately after the 1972 convention, and this early-bird example is the thing to follow. Mr Dole is not the only prominent Republican on the "rubber chicken circuit": so are Mr John Connally and Search Forest Relative who and Senaror Howard Baker, who have already set up skeleton organizations, which will be considerably expanded as the months go by and the competition gets serious.

Mr Connally was once Demonstrate Concerns of Trans.

cratic Governor of Texas, and Lyndon Johnson's Secretary of the Navy. Later, he worked in the White Huse for President Nixon, trying to save him from Watergate. The Watergate special prosecutor took him to court on a corruption charge, and he was acquirted. Mr Baker is minority leader

Mr Baker is minority leader in the Senate. He, too, came to fame during. Watergate, as senior Republican on the Ervin committee, forever asking the question: "What did the President know, and when did be know it?" He was conspicuously kinder to the heavy-weights among witnesses than to the small fry, and the White House considered him a friend in court.

in court.

He is facing a difficult reelection battle next year, in
Tennessee. If he wins, he will at least have his bands free in 1980 : Senator Doie will be un for relection that year, and will be up for relection that year, and will have to decide whether to stake everything on winning the presidency, or whether to save his seat, and make his big push in 1984.

His chances are further com-plicated by doubt over the in-tentions of former President Senator Robert Dole was the Republican candidate for the vice-presidency last year, and he makes no secret of the fact that he is thinking of running for the presidential nomination in 1930.

notoniety last year.

He also says that he would not run against Mr Reagan, but He eats chicken dinners in me and morels several time: a week all not run against Mr Reagan, our over the country, making this is an easier promise to speeches at local Republican make It is not very likely that garberings and "looking the former Governor of Caliaround", as they say, at his forma will try again, at 69. Senator Dole's problem may be Mr-Ford's indecision.

if the former President decides to wait to see what happens, he may tie Mr Dole's hands behind his back and cast a blight across the Republican campaign, as Senator Humphrey did for at least

some Democrats last year.

Meanwhile, other Republicans are plotting away. They include Senator Lowell include Senator Lowell Weicker of Connecticut, who represents the centre-to-left wing of the party. He was easily reelected last year and therefore has no electoral problems in either 1980 or 1984 (senators have a six-year

The new Governor of Illinois, The new Governor of Illinois, Mr James Thompson, is often mentioned as a possible presidential candidate, but he is too busy establishing his reputation at home. His time may

come later.

The right wing of the Republican Party is in the escendant, at the moment, and Senator Dole belongs there without sharing the exclusionary ten-dencies of his colleagues, Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina, for example, wants to drum all remaining liberals

out of the party.

Mr Dole realizes that that would be suicidal. He may also realize that the wisdom of running for the Republican nomination in 1980 depends upon President Carter's popularity as the election. larity as the election approaches. He might be as difficult to defeat as Mr Johnson in 1964 or Mr Nixon in 1972, and the better part of wisdom might be to wait a bit longer.

Chrysler guards 'Ill shot dead in Buenos Aires Buenos Aires, Dec 2.-Two

bodyguards of an executive of the Chrysler motor company died today when their car was sprayed with machine gun fire from two other vehicles, police

third bodyguard was seriously wounded in the shooting, in a southern suburb of Buenos Aires. The company's The Argentine subsidiary of Chrysler has two plants in the wing guerrilla attacks last year.

KGB summons Dr Zinoviev for questioning

Moscow, Dec 2.—The KGB, the Soviet secret police, today summoned Alexander Zinoviev, writer and philosopher, to the Lefortovo jail for question-ing, his wife reported.

She told Western correspon-dents she did not know why her husband was under inter-

Dr Zinoviev was expelled from the Communist Party and lost his post as professor of logic at Moscow University

after his book, The Yaming Heights was published in the West last year. He was disoutskirts of Buenos Aires, west last year. He was disemploying 4,500 people. Two chrysler executives and a Philosophy last January and supervisor were killed in left deprived of all his academic titles the following month.-Agence France-Presse.

B1 bomber cancellation disappoints general

By Henry Stanbope Defence Correspondent

General George Brown, chairman of the United States Joint strategic nuclear weapons were Chiefs of Staff, has described not established. United States Chiefs of Staff, has described the cancellation of the B1 bomber programme by President Carter as "a great dis \$1,000m (£550m) or \$2,000m appointment ".

He said in London yesterday and to many other people in

nuclear weapons, with Cruise missiles filling the place left by the B1, it would still be able o have strategic parity with the soviet Union. But he wondered what would happen when the ong-serving B52 bomber came to the end of its life. A larger tersion of the F111 aircraft, with more range and payload,

vas being sought. General Brown told the Royal Inited Services Institute that he best way to maintain

trategic equivalence between

the two superpowers was by strategic arms limitation agree-

"If controls on numbers of detence spending to maintain strategic nuclear equivalence annually. "That increased cost would not necessarily increase that it was a cause of some concern to the Chiefs of Staff race might even induce instable lity and reduce security."

But he confessed to being Gen Zia refuses to speed up elections If the United States intensity of Soviet nuclear pro-retained its present triad of grammes. The rare they were deploying weapons was impressive, and their emphasis on developing new evstems was "especially worri-

General Brown declined to return to the subject of the interview in the United States last year, when he was quoted as describing the British armed forces as having nothing more than "generals admirals and bands". He said: "I have nothing but respect and friendship for Britain's services."



Journalist witnessed atrocities'

Salisbury, Dec 2-In the fiveyear war between the Rhodesian Government and black nationslist guerrillas, both sides have accused each other of arrocities involving civilians. The Govern-ment is now investigating allegations of arrocities carried out by the army.

An account by Mr Ross
Baughman, an Associated Press

photographer who saw Rhodesian troops in action at close quarters, offers some details of one case under investigation.

Mr Baughman, who has now left Rhodesia, said that in September he saw members of

From Our Correspondent

The first round of settlement

alks between the Rhodesian

Government and two of the

nationalist organizations was

held today at the civil service training centre in the Highlands

suburb of Salisbury. The meet-

ing lasted 80 minutes and then

quickly as possible to a peace-

cordial and a number of con-

structive proposals were made.

The delegations would give con-

sideration to these and resume

discussions on them at the next

and Mr Jack Gaylard, the Secretary to the Cabinet. Senator Chief Chirau headed the delegation from the Zim-

babwe United People's Organization and Dr Elliott Gabellah, the first vice-president of the African National

Rawalpindi, Dec 2
General Zia, the chief martial
law administrator, has turned
down a request from the Pakistan National Alliance to speed

up the date of next year's general election.

general election.

Politicians in the Alliance formerly the Opposition to Mr Bhutto, the deposed Prime Minister, have called for it to be held in March. After the mili-

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From Richard Wigg

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Sithole

tary takeover in June it was set from a timetable that foresees for October but postponed the next seven months being taken up with the present October as the most likely date.

adjourned until next Friday.

internal

Salisbury, Dec 2

by settlement talks

African

25-man Rhodesian army cavalry unit from the Grey's Scouts look and burn huts, beat a local black politician and torture his wife and daughter. His presence was arranged with the help of a Rhodesian conv major, an American, with

Government approval.
When more senior Rhodesian authorities found out who Mr Banghman was, he was ordered to return to Selisbury where-some of his film was confiscated or spoilt.

He said the incidents took

place in the area of Lupeni, 80 miles from the border with Botswana and he was in the presence of a white officer when the latter received a report that the black politician Moffat-Ncube, secretary of the local branch of the African National Council, had died as the result of beatings during interroga-A high-level Rhodesian army

future, then I feel very bope ful", he said.

Without him today's meeting

He has also turned down the

Alliance's demand for allowing normal political activity, which has been banned since October

Professor Ghafoor Ahmad, secretary-general of the Alli-

ance, reported these reactions

ance, reported these reactions to the press today after a delegation he led spent five hours last night negotiating with General Zia here.

The general refused to budge from a timetable that foresees the next seem that hours being them.

source said Mr Baughman's account was accurate in sub-stance but that 75 per cent of details were either exaggerated or wrong. The source said Mr Neube is slive and would be a chief prosecution witness in any court martial that might arise from the interrogation.
Mr Baughman said that dur-

ing the cavalry unit's three-day mission he saw the soldiers beat Mr Ncube about the head with Mr Noube about the head with a small wooden bar while he was unconscious and tied up; kick and threaten two black youths who were among a group rounded up at an aban-boned school; burn down huts and threaten to destroy others; end fasten rope nooses about the necks of two prisoners and force them to run or be dragged several miles behind horses. He said be also saw them re-peatedly punch a black prisoner before pinning him to the

ground, wrapping his shirt about his head end pouring water from a bucket over his nose and mouth until he passed Mr Baughman said the sol-

diers pulled down the under-wear of Mr Ncube's daughter, wear of Mr Ncube's daughter, whom he described as a teenager, and whipped her several dozen times. He claimed that they repeated the procedure with Mr Ncube's wife, before tying her on to a bed whose metal springs had been hested over a fire. (The military source in Selisbury claimed that Mr Ncube's daughter is a Mr 'Noube's daughter is a toddier, not a teenaged.)
The photographer said he accompanied the mission as an

observer, although he was told to wear army uniform and carry a weapon. On one occa-sion he was asked to help the soldiers carry the bed which Mr Ncube's wife

Africans encouraged Mr Vorster rules out a black parliament

Ndabaningi Sirhole, is in the United States. Johannesburg, Dec 2

Mr. Vorster, the South
African Prime Minister, said
tonight that it was not his One nationalist delegate said the meeting was very informal. Proposals were put by the Government and in turn by the other delegations. "It was all very encouraging. If what went on today is indicative of the future than I feel very bone. tonight that it was not his Government's policy to give the nation's eight million urban blacks representation in the white Parliament or to create a special parliament for them as is planned for the 2,400,000 Coloureds and 700,000 Asians.

The urban blacks, like the rest of the nation's 18 million Africanis would only everying Missing from today's talks was Rishop Abel Muzorewa, president of the most popular Africans, would only exercise their political rights in the tribal "homelands" or Bantu-

after the meeting said the aim
of the talks was to discuss ways
of proceeding as quickly as
quickly as possible to a peace
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national Council. He is in
mourning for a week after last
week's raids by Rhodesian stans, he said. However, he added that he wanted to give urban blacks quickly as possible to a peace-ful constitutional settlement. It said the meeting was frank and at least 1,200 people died. wanted to give urban blacks complete urban self-government with even more powers than those enjoyed by white city and municipal councils in so far as education and law and

had a somewhat hollow ring. The fact that the talks have been adjourned until he is availorder were concerned.

Mr Vorster was speaking in radio and television broadcasts able next Friday indicates how important his presence is. His after seeing his National Party with the biggest election victory ever witnessed in South Africa

Mr Bhutto and other charges

The Rhodesian Government team was headed by Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister, and included Mr David Smith, the Deputy Prime Minister; Mr Hilary Squires, the Minister of Justice and of Law and Order; and Mr Iack Gaylard, the last week's raids, he said that ever witnessed in South Africa.

Describing the election result as "an avalanche", he said the result was a vote against foreign interference in South Africa's affairs. The election result had gone beyond his wildest dreams. The National Party won 134 of the all-white Parliament's 165 seats, polling 689,108 out of the open letter to Bishop Muzorewa regretting his decision not to attend today's talks. Justifying last week's raids, he said that every day that passed without a settlement being reached meant that more innocent Rhodesians polling 689,108 out of the 1,063,774 votes cast. The popu-lation of South Africa is more than 24 million. Much of Mr Vorster's broadwere being massacred by ter-rorists, and the action of the security forces was to protect the civilian population against terrorist attacks

he had been sying during the election campaign and he did not give any indication that any significant changes in the country's race policies could be expected.

His government would be prepared to make changes, he said, but only within the framework of separate development. He rejected suggestions that the election would merely an-trench discrimination because his Government had done more than any previous administra-tion to do away with "unneces-sary discrimination".

To his mind it was not discrimination to believe, as he did, in different residential areas and different schools for different population groups. This was what the people wanted.

The Prime Minister indicated that he would continue to take a strong line on the question of law and order. The freedom of the individual could not allowed to jeopardize the safety of the state. If it was necessary the deprive certain individuals of some of their rights, his Gov-ernment would not hesitate to

He repeated South Africa's determination to fight to keep the southern tip of Africa free from communist domination.

"Small as we are, our people, Afrikaans and English speakers, will defend South Africa to the last man if it is necessary."

Spassky calls off chess game because of a cold

on Monday.

that are expected to be pre-ferred against Mr Bhutto in the next formight. Because of the heat in June and the oncoming monsoon, General Zis indicated that the Belgrade, Dec 2.—Boris Spassky, the former world chess cisampion, today called off the

sixth game in his metch against Viktor Korchnoi because he had a cold. The game will be played Rorchooi is leading in the

General Zia indicated that the choice of election months was limited to March or October. He refused to allow open politics on the ground that it would interfere with the "accountability process", the name given to the court proceedings against Mr Bhutto and some of his former ministers. match by 31 points to 11. The witner will challenge Anatoly Karpov, the present champion, for the world title.—Reuter.

President Banzer not to

nation yesterday General Ban-zer said that his decision was "firm and irreversible" and dictated by his "own con-

power in a military coup in August, 1971, made the broadcast in the presence of his Cabiner, senior military offi-cers and about 100 special To many observers the

election seemed designed to return General Banzer to the presidency with a popular man-date. Lest Saturday he asked to retire from the Army. The move was interpreted as pre-paring his candidacy, because the constitution bans military officers from the presidency. Yesterday's amouncement took most political circles by

Opposition figures, however, seemed suspicious of the Pre-sident's real intentions and president Dr Luis Adolfo Siles rientos on the latter's death in

for world supremacy Squash Rackets Correspondent used the lob to keep his hard-bitting opponent quiet. Mohibullah relied chiefly on punching the ball Qamar Zaman beat his travelling

Zaman established as

Hunt's challenger

companion and practice partier, Molebulish Khan, by 9—4, 9—7, 3—9, 9—3 in the final match of a four-tournament "world series" sponsored by Pakistan International Airlines at Wembley International Airlines at Wembley last night. Zaman beat Geoffrey Bunt in the Frankfurt final (the only tournement in which Hunt played) and contested the remaining three with Mohibullab—beating him at Karachi and Wembley but losing in Stockholm. Zaman also beat Mohibullah in the semificial round of the world championship, played at Adelaide in October. for the match.

October.

For the moment Zaman has established blunself as Hunt's chief challenger for world supremacy. It remains to be seen how much longer the Australian can resist the younger Pakistenis. It is blightly supreting that except reast the younger Pakistenis. It is slightly worrying that, except for Hunt, the Pakistanis are dominating the game as they did in the 1950s and that there is no sign of a genuine threat from any other nation. Fine players though they are, the kame's shop window would be more stimulating if the best buys had a more cosmopolitan range.

Squash rackets

best buys had a more cosmopolitan range.

The congested customers had poor value for money last night. They pad 57 or f9 to sit or 12 to stand and they had to endure 68 minutes of what could most kindly be described as spasmodic opterdour. The continuity of the match was destroyed by obstruction and the ensuring appears, arguments, lets or penalty points. Mohibullah looked mournful, Zaman indignant. But they had only themselves to blame. They often invited traffic problems by langing about on the line of their opponent's approach to the ball, failing to drive much beyond the service line, or spraying shots into midcourt. Too many finals like this would soon clear the galleries. It would be interesting to know the percentage of rallies that ended inconclusively, When someone suggested 50 per cent the exaggeration did not seem excessive enough to contest.

Zaman is currently in better form than Mohibullah because he is exploiting his imminable aptitude for the game with a degree of fitness and discretion tehat he has not consistently maintained

the cross-court backhand drop that stopped Mohibullah when he was 7—3 up in the second geme. Having lost that game he had little chance of taking three in a row Mohibullah's next match will be against another of his compatriots, Hidayat Jahan, at Wimbledon Stadium on Monday. They will be playing in a three-event challenge

bill will feature a contest between two amateurs. Stuart Courney and Barry O'Connor, and—an introvation this seasca—a match intovation this seasch—a match between two women professionals. Lyle Hubinger (Australia) and Angela Smith (Britain). The emergence of women professionals intoresting. The seed was sown in 1973 when the Women's Squash Rackets Association introduced open competition and Heather McKay promptly turned professional. Seven other leading women players have since dcKay prousdcKay prousdcKay prousdesional. Seven ouwomen players have
followed her example.
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Graves 4-9, 8-10, 9-4,
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Cousins needs to improve his compulsory figures

By Dennis Bird
The National Skating Association's ice-figure committee will not announce until December 13 the composition of the team to represent Britain in this season's international events, but after this week's national championships at Richmond Ice Rink several names suggest themselves automatically. The outstanding British solo skater at present is undoubtedly Robin Consins. This 20-year-old son of a Bristol civil servant easily retained the men's title. He is now skating better than ever, and already has one international victory this season in Camada noder his belt. In the European championships in Strasbourg next February he could take first place in the free skating section if he skates as well as he tiid at Richmond.

His main opposition there is

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His main opposition there is likely to come from two previous winners, the Russian, Vizdimir Kovalev, and the holder, Jan Hoffmann of East Germany, Kovalev won this year's world title but was then suspended for 12 months by his own skating association, for indiscipline. However, that suspension is now reported to have been reduced by half, which will put him back in contention. Cousins looks a better free skater, but will need to improve his compulsory figures if he is to become European champion.

Britain are entitled to send three

champion.

Britain are entitled to send three men to Strasbourg. Andrew Bestwick (Blackpool), deserves a place, for he beat Consins on the Snooker

Mountjoy is pulled up by referee

Controversy flared again in the United Kingdom professional snooker championships at Blackpool yesterday when John Williams, the referee, pulled up Mountjoy in the final.

Williams, the senior tournament referee, ruled that Mountjoy had deliverately missed a shot at a group of reds to gain an unfair advantage and ordered him to play again. Mountjoy continued without comment but claimed at the end of the session that the decision had upset his game.

He was leading 3-2 at the time against Fagan but finished the session 4-3 down, it is the first time a referee has called a professional foul in a major tournament final. The incident is the second of its kind in the championships. A similar dispute in midweek led to the banning and then reinstatement of Thome: and a stornly departure from Blackpool by Thorne's opponent, Rex Williams. by Thorne ... Williams. Thorne's opponent, Rex

first place with Miss Richardson at the halfway stage, and everything depended on the final free skating. Miss Foy gave a most artistic free skating performance but it lacked technical difficulty and she was overtaken by the eventual runner-up. Miss Cottrill. Miss Foy has made a good impression, and if she works hard to have the surrous in the next few on her jumps in the next few months she could be a formidable challenger in 1978.

Challenger in 1978.

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Carland (Bristol), 14 (94.81); 7. M.
Streat and Miss B. Stewart (Streatham), 21 (79.52).

Men's slalom cancelled after dispute

Skiing

Sansicario, Italy Dec 2.—The The world series men's giant slalom skd race scheduled to be held here today was cancelled after a dispute over statements that the track was dangerous. The Italian and French teams wanted against the opposition of the powerful Austrian and Swiss con-tingents. The Austrians and Swiss virtually boycotted yesterday's women's glant slalom on the same track. The French competitors, Perrine Pelen and Fabienne Serrat took first and second places in the event. Most of the Austrian and Swiss women refused to finish the course.

Their complaints about rocks

Their complaints about rocks on the track and too little snow were taken up by the men today, and most of the team leners voted this morning for a concellation. France and Italy opposed the move.—Reuter.

For the record

Cycling ZURCH: international six-day stocks: Standings: 1 E. Merckx. P. Stock: Standings: 1 E. Merckx. P. Server. 2 R. Plints. D. Gialgor, one kep behind; 3. U. Hempial, R. Savarv. vivo kaps behind; 4. W. Pferfgen. A. Fritz, fivo kaps behind; 5. K. Bugdahl. D. Allam, five haps behind; 6. O. Ritter, G. Frank, five kaps behind; 7. G. Haritz, R. Hermstm. eight lens behind; 8. P. Medhurei, M. Burton. eight lens behind; 9. H. Schudtz, H. Hindelang, 12 laps behind.

Tennis April, 1969, and was deposed by the armed forces five months later, said in a letter made public yesterday that he would not be a candidate either.

President Banzer said in his broadcast that he would go on "working and struggling for dignity, freedom and justice". He had tried not only to change the state but also men's behaviour and mentality, but many of his important projects had been frustrated by "selfishness"—Agence France-Presse.

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Ice hockey NATIONAL LEAGUE: Buffalo Sabres 5. Monircal Canadiens 1: Boston

Year of achievement for Mexico's President

From Nichalas Parsons Mexico City, Dec 2

Twelve morths after coming power, President José Lopez Portillo of Mexico can claim to have brought inflation under control and restored inter-national confidence in his coun-

The former Finance Minister December 1 last year at a time when Mexico was suffering rom the effects of the first seso devaluation in 22 years. That devaluation had been forced by ranaway inflation, enormous public spending and balance of payments deficits, and excessive foreign borrowing. Confidence between Goveroment and business had broken down and there was a flight of capital out of Mexico. President Lopez Portillo has Proved a tough enocomic man-

ager, and he has been helped

Not only is inflation under

control, but foreign borrowing

pending has been drastically

big improvement in the trade facing strong pressure within oner exchange treaty, and in balance.

his Cabinet for a Budget next spite of the continuing problem of illegal Mexican immigrants

balance.

It adds up to a remarkable achievment, so it was all the more surprising when the President replaced two of his key economy ministers last month. But the "resignations" of

the Finance and Budget Ministook over the presidency from Señor Luis Echeverria on December 1 last year at a time sion to follow strictly the monetarist recovery guidelines laid down by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) brought inevitable inductrial stagnation and mounting unemployment. Trade union leaders have esti-

mated that a third of the country's 18 million workers are unemployed while millions more are under-employeu. The national growth rate is likely to be only 2 per cent this year, for the second successive year, and with the population growing at well over 3 per cent annually this means a fall in

per capita income, hitting the poorest sections of society has been limited, Government hardest. Thus, according to reliable sources, the President has been

year to expand the economy and reduce some of the unemployment. This faction was led by Señor Carlos Tello Maclas, the Budget Minister, who has

now gone. The other faction, which wanted another year of austerity following the IMF guidelines, was led by Señor Julio Rodolfo Mocrezuma Cid, now ousted from his post as Finance Minister. The replacement of both men

grip in 1978.

makes it difficult to predict how the Budget will look when it appears in the next month or weeks. But most qualified observers here expect the President to maintain a fairly tight Although the economy has

been the main preoccupation of Senor Lopez Portillo's first year in office it has not been the only one. As soon as possible after assuming power he visited Washington to start restoring good relations with the United States, This policy has led to a pris-

to the United States, relations appear to be on the mend.
Señor López Portillo also
took the historic step of restoring diplomatic relations with Spain, severed since Franco's forces won the Civil War, and he made a highly successful visit to Spain this autumn. The President has also

enthusiastically supported México's fledgling family plansupported ning campaign—initiated reluct-antly by Senor Echeversia—and announced that his aim is to get the rate of population growth down to 2.5 per cent by the time he ends his term in 1982. The Government claims the rete has already been cut from 3.5 to 3.2 per cent, and if the trend continues it could be enormously important On oil—the President has

announced big expansion plans -to double production to more than two million barrels a day, half for export, by 1932; to double refining capacity; and to triple production of base petrochemicals. - Reuter.

stand for election

he will not be a candidate in the presidential election of July 9 next year. In a broadcast to the

science ". General Banzer, who took

L2 Paz, Dec 2.—President surprise. Those close to Banzer of Bolivia has unex. General Banzer said that a pectedly announced here that power vacuum was being created by his withdrawal, with no other clear candidate in

> ferred not to comment.
> Rolivia's last civilian Pre-Salinas, who as Vice-President succeeded General René Bar-April, 1969, and was deposed by the armed forces five months

Packer match seems unreal with small crowds and no tension

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent wielbourne, Dec 2

He would never admit it, of course, but Kerry Packer must be a worried man tonight. When the first of his world series of natches between an Australian II and a West Indian XI started tere this morning fewer than 500 conle were present. At no time a the day were there many more fun 2,000, although when two cars ago the same two teams met cars ago the same two teams met cars ago the same two teams met ca the Melbourne cricket ground, representing their countries as distinct from Mr Packer, 85,596 as the first-day crowd.

The indications are, at any rate Melbourne, that Mr Packer has en badly advised. For £15,000 could have played his Mel-Nourne matches on the Morrabbin Cval, which is a genuine cricket ground not far from the city course and where a crowd of 30,000 would have ment a packed 20,600 would have meant a packed house. There might even have heen a rush for tickets. Instead he chose to pay more than 1,500,000 for the use of a distant mothall stadium, as vast as it is impersonal, plus the enormous cost of constructing pitches on which to play. The reason for this was that he expected to mooup at the gate. Ian Chappell, comain of Mr Packer's Australlans, aid recently that the revolution. rentain of Mr Packer's Australians, aid recently that the revolution would have to be rated a success or a failure according to the rrowds it attracted. Yesterday Chappell said: "It's going to take a while to build this series up. It could take a season or more to get it going."

get it going."
Today it was like Wembley for the University football match, only fore. To get a picture to appeal would-be advertisers of Mr-rker's television network the fidnen were being herded to-ther and presented with Australian flags and "Super Test" soners for the cameraman's benefit. Then one of the sightscreens of an hour's play it was additional embarrassment. How symilic it was, time will tell. The corers, who aso felt the draught orking for a more auspicious day emorrow.

The Australians, in their awful wallow caps, batted much as they have done throughout the last solver. Put in by Clive Lloyd (Gary Sabers had soon the coin, for which he is being paid several housands of pounds), the Australians is the match and were soon for 6. The combined efforts of the Australian team playing the Anstralian team playing the Anstralian team playing der Mr Packer's aegis and the e flying the official flag in isbane came to 115 for 11, or for 115 as they say out here. A seventh-wicket partnership of 63 between Bright and Marsh, one of 68 for the ninth wicket between Bright and Lillee and of 99 for the last between Walker and Pascoe enabled the yellow caps to reach 256. It is hard to say how much their recovery was due to an easing up on the part of the West Indian bowlers. For the match to be over in three days would never do and there was a time this afternoon when King was bowling at one end and Holford at the other. The absence

Watson on top

Watson took seven for 26 for

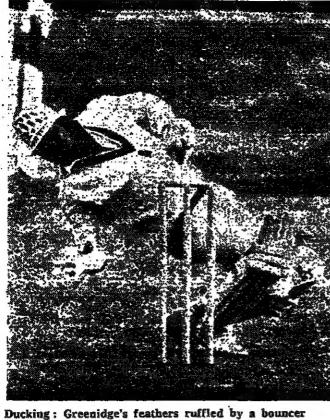
the Australian XI as the World XI slumped to 186 all out in the

second of the Packer series country games. The Australians

were 184 for seven at the close of

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of the same pressures that apply in Test matches and the presence of so few people on the ground meant. too, that there was no tension at all. It seemed, and looked and sounded quite unreal. From a technical point of view the best thing of the day was the bowling of Holding, his rhythm unimpaired by the shoulder injury which has allowed him to deliver only eight first-class overs since he took 14 wickets against England at the Oval in September, 1976. Today he had the wickets of Davis, both the Chappells and Hookes—Greg Chappell and Hookes for nought apiece, the former trying to get out of the way of a bouncer. Starting their runs alongside one of the large, rather grotesque Packer motifs, of ball and stumps, branded upon the outfield, Holding, Roberts and Daniel made, as they did in England a formidable trio.

they did in England a formidable trio.

The prefabricated pitch was slow, its bounce uneven. There were good catches by Richards at second slip and Daniel at square leg. The umpires were Douglas Sang Hue (West Indies) and Jack Collins, who retired from Test umpiring in the middle of the last proper series between Australia and West Indies when Clive Lloyd, the West Indian capital was harshly critical of him. Of the strokes played, the most spectacular was a hook for six by Lillee off Holding, but because it made so much more of a whimper than a bang it was not a day, I imagine, that the players will much have enjoyed.

In the city of Brisbane, one third of the size of Melbourne

and nothing like so sports con-scious, the Woolloongabba ground was much less deserted for the was much less deserted for the start of the opening Test match between Australia and India. To round off a bad day for Mr Packer one of his chief officials resigned, giving it as his opinion as he did so that too many of his fellow administrators were tending to take too much for granted. One man and his wife, he said, referring to the hard work done

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W. Hookes, b Holding
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Bedi exposes limitations of Australian batsmen

of the World Brisbane, Dec 2.—The left-arm spin bowling of the Indian captain, Bishen Bedi, wrecked Australia's batting on the opening day of the first Test match here today. Australia slid to 166 all out, weak-prize the lost in official cricket. Rockhampton, Queensland, Dec -Graeme Watson made a sensational start to his career as a Herry Packer cricketer, destroying the Rest of the World XI batting ening the joy is official cricket circles about what appears a vote of confidence in official Tests from the Australian public. being drafted into the Packer troupe as a last-minute replace-ment for the lojured Ian Redpath.

from the Australian public.

Nearly 9,000 people turned up here on a damp, showery day compared to less than 3,000 to see the start of Kerry Packer's world series 1,500 miles way

Bedl took five wickets for 55 and only a brave 82 from Toohey saved Simpson's new-look Test team from a complete collapse. By close of play, India had scored 13 for one. Bedl, released by his English county, Northamptonshire two months ago because of declining form, found the drying pitch responsive to spin.

After Simpson had won the toss rain curtailed the morning's play but between lunch and ten the Australians stumbled from 33 for two to 122 for eight. Then Toohey dominated a last-wicker stand of 34 before being stumped off Bedl.

But in the closing stages Thomson produced, excepts meed off were 184 for seven at the close of the first day. Only 1,000 people turned up to warch as the circus came to this tropical country town inopulation 50,000 to provide the locals with a rare glimpse of big-time cricket.

The South African, Barry Richards, scored a brilliant 93 and the powerful World team hooked get for a big score against a side, regarded as second string to the one playing in the "super-test" at Melbourne.

Then Richards was caught off Watson going for a big hit and Then kichards was caught on Muson going for a big hit and the World team collapsed dramatically from 135 for three, with Mason taking the last seven wickets in only 39 deliveries. 34 before being stumped off Bedf.
But in the closing stages Thomson produced etough speed off
the pitch to give the Indian bassmen some ranicly for tomorrow.
He kept the harsmen ducking and
wraviate from the start, rapping
Vengsarkar painfully on the groin
and was unfucly not to get Vengsarkar out when Simpson dropped
a hard chance as slip.

Thomson's partner, Clork, broke Martin Kent scored 58 and Trevor Chappell—the rounger brother of Ian and Gregg—scored 45 as the Australians steadily moved towards a first-innings lead.

play 45 minutes early. Clark had Gavasker caught close to the wicket by Cosier for three. This eventful six-over spell encouraged Simpson who predicted that tomorrow morning's play could be crucial. He defended his decision crucial. He defended his decision to bar first, saying: "I thought the pitch would take spin late in the game, so I had no choice". Bedi's skill exposed the limitations of na Australian side des-parately short of top-level experience—at one stage he had figures of three for six.

AUSTRALIA: First innings
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G. Serjaani, c Cavastar, b Esdi 0
G. Serjaani, c Cavastar, b Esdi 0
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F. Toohey, st Kirmani, b Essi 22
R. Manu, i-b-w, b Maden Lai 12
R. Manu, i-b-w, b Maden Lai 12
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—1—0; Clark, 3—1—10—1—Ratter. Thomson's partner, Clark, broke through before bad light ended

INDIA: First Innings
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D. Vengsarkar, not ear
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nothing away to the English

Pitch gives

Rawalptodi, Pakisten, Dec 2.— England emerged with a draw but with little satisfaction from their opening tour match against the Pakistan Cricket Board Patron's XI here roday.

Pakistan Cricket Board Patron's XI here today.

On a hurriedly prepared pinch that became rain-affected before the start their batsmen were only able to concern themselves with survival and their bowlers learnt little of conditions that prevail generally in Pakistan. It was a wretched way to start the tour bearing in mind the first Test in Lahore is less than two weeks away.

away.

The final day's play today strong with Brearley declaring England's first innings at 64 for nine and then saw the Patron's XI run up a second innings total of 118 for siz.

England needed 206 to win in under two hours and they were 32 for one when the captains agreed to call a halt with seven of the final 15 overs still to go. In three days 26 wickets fell for 365 runs, an average of 14 runs a wicket.

a wicket.

No one suffered more than Yorkshire captain, Boycott, who made only two in the first innings and was out for eight in the second when a ball from the left arm spin howier. Iqbal Qasim, took off viciously from a good length. It was easy to sympathize with the admonishing look Boycott gave the pitch before he left.

Boycott's more considered reaction was to organize a net gave the pitch before he left.

Boycott's more considered reaction was no organize a net practice for the few hours that are available tomorrow morning before the team fly off to Faisalabad for the second tour match against a United Banks XI.

The Patron's XI made a lazy start to their second innings this morning, mustering only 48 runs while losing two wickets in the pre-lunch period. Willis bowled an untidy opening spell of three overs but. Hendrick and Old rarely wavered, Hendrick's first spell of six overs costing just eight runs. Hendrick's final figures of two for 20 accurately reflected his control, but Edmonds, despite taking two for 31, received a quiet word from the manager, Ken Barrington, after the manch about bowling a more economical line.

Perhaps the most encouraging feature of the England performance was the fielding which gave nothing away despite an noeven outfield. No one performed better in this department than Rose, who took a splendid diving each off Hendrick and then ran out Haroon Rashid with a fine throw from the cover boundary.

Italy strengthen attack

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I did not bet.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1—26, 2—73, 4—78, 5—79, 6 ing the win or draw here comorrow which would stop listy and
send England to the World Cupfinals. They would prefer to see
Italy rather than England win the
Emopean group two and go
through to Argentine.
"When we played England in
London, the referree gave a penaltythat wasn't one and sent off one
of our players who had never
even been booked before" the
Lunembourg manager, "Gilbert
Legrand said.
"We'll be happy to see Indy

Donations sent to Lord's to help with costs

Members of the cricketing public are rallying round the Test and County Cricket Board and the International Cricket Conference, faced with costs of around 200,000 after last week's High Court judgment. About 80 letters have been received at Lord's in support of official cricket.

Peter Lush, a board spokesman, said yesterday: "We have received a number of letters and donations since last Friday. All the letters are being acknowledged and the money is being placed in a special account to go towards the costs." Some of the donations reaching Lord's are between 250 and 2100.

In Melbourne a senior adminis-

reaching Lord's are between £50 and £100.

In Melbourne a senior administrator with Kerry Packer's world series resigned today because he was unhappy with the running of the series. John Curtain, aged 37, who was world series cricket assistant manager (administration), said that there were two few people running the series and some of them had no knowledge of the sport. "They don't understand cricket—that's their problem", Mr Curtain told reporters.



Directors of Arsenal and Tottenham Hotspor met yesterday to discuss the development of the Alexandra Palace complex for joint use by both clubs. Arsenal's chairman, D. J. C. Hill-Wood, is fourth on the right and facing him is Tottenham's chairman, S. A. Wale.

Curtains are waiting to be closed

Footbell Correspondent
While the Football Association
continue to interview candidates
for the position of England manager and Ron Greenwood returns
from holiday, the formality of
elimination from the World Cup
is not quite complete. But by
nightful today Italy should have
closed the curtains on England's
last dim hopes.

This afternoon Italy must beat
Luxembourg to qualify for Argentina and there is no real doubt
that they will succeed against the
weakest country in the group. Bet-

weakest country in the group. Bet-ter for England not to believe in familiary. Italy are the best of the four, although it was evident at Wembley that even their standards may not be sofficiently high ro carry their success through the more testing matches of the final

more testing matches of the final competition.

Once England are indisputably dismissed the Football Association will be free to produce a manifesto that is expected to cover many aspects of the game's future at all levels of play and administration. There will also be a clean slate as far as the new manager is concerned, and the FA say that their choice could be known next week. Mr Greenwood is back from Spain but another candidate, Bobby Robson, takes his team to Sarcelona next week. The "caretaker" is in his house and that could be a hint.

One of the managers still to be interviewed is Brian Clough, of Nottingham Forest. He was thrust at the FA by weight of

Rome, Dec 2.—Luxembourg do not fancy their chances of gain-ing the win or draw here tumor-row which would cop limit and

Legrand said.

"We'll be happy to see Imly quality. If we can hold them like we did England in Lexembourg, when we lost just 2-0, we'll remark that as a success."

to make sure of victory

headlines which were supposed to reflect popular acclaim but it is most unlikely that he will consider an offer if his colleague, Pener Taylor, is not permitted to be his Heutenant. For the moment Nottingham people seem confident that their petitions will persuade him to stay and enjoy the domestic pleasures of chasing the championship title. Ironically, today could be Forest's last at the top of the first division for a while.

They visit Birmingham City holding a one point lead over Everton the team who have played 19 league and cop matches without defeat. Everton will be at Chelsea and should take two points. The only doubt is the frought that Chelsea best Nottingham Forest at Stamford Bridge early last mouth. Chelsea's youngsters sometimes offer stimulating foodall but there is a frallty that was seen again last week when they lost 6—2 in Manchester City. Their home matches tend to be low scoring. Indeed, they have not conceded a goal at Stamford Bridge for four games but equally they have scored only seven at home all seasod. This afternoon they recall the veteran Barris because Graham Wilkins is suspended. Everton are unchanged and likely to be unyielding.

With Coventry City and West Bromwich Albion both at home there is little chance of Liverpool getting ahead of them and back into a challenging position this weekend, but they should beat West Ham United at Anfield. Fairclough and Dalglish have recovered from knee injuries.

resentatives in the Ueta Cup, 195wich Town and Aston Vills, will
be auxious to use today as preparation for next Wednesday's
matches against Barceloma and
Athletic Bilbao respectively. They
are playing each other at Portman Road.

Ipswich's first leg against Barcelona was easier than they expected and towards the end they
felt sufficiently confident to risk
sending on Villoen when they felt
sufficiently confident to risk sending in Villoen who had not played
for 25 months. Villoen's long
absence with several leg injuries
had restricted their range of ideas
and his return could help them
face the trials of climbing out of
the first division's middle reaches.
Villoen plays his first full senior
match since October, 1975 today
and hopes to play in Spain next
week. There Ipswich start with a
3-0 advantage. Villa, who lead
Bilbao by 22-0, will rest their
young forward; Deehan, and Cropley is injured.

Injuries to players at Manchester
United have contributed to the

jey is injured.

Injuries to players at Manchester United have contributed to the uncomfortable start of David Sexton's career at Old Trafford but his name is still among those being put forward as candidate for a part-time position with England. He has to overcome another disruption today because Buchan was hurt in training this week and misses the home game with Wolverhampton Wanderers. It will be remembered at Old Trafford that the absence of Buchan from the defence previously led to disorder.

Peterborough's lesson

in finishing

Tranmere 6 Peterborough 2
Peterborough weathered a firsthalf onslaught and then gave
Tranmere a lesson in finishing to
win at Prenton Park.
Tranmere pressed down on the
Peterborough goal throughout the
first half but failed to make the
breakthrough with Barron making
one fine save from Atlen. In the
46th mitute Peterborough went
shead with a beader by Doyle
following a long throw in and two
minutes later Turner forced home
the second.

England of Wembley last morth.
"We've got to give a good demonstration of both force and good footbid!" he said, adding with characteristic caution: "It's match that could be difficult, seeing that Lutembourg will be without their best purker. Braun, who accored against Indy last year. He was left out of Legrand's squad for disciplinary reasons. The injured Mouncelli is also ruled out. The Lutembourg team which was left out of Legrand's squad for disciplinary reasons. The injured Mouncell is also ruled out. The Luxembourg team which includes just two professionals: Philipp, the captain, who plays for the Belgian Club Royal Union, and Dussier (FC Lille), will have the task of containing the Italian strikers, Bettlega-who has scored eight goals in the qualitying series—and Grantani.

If Italy qualify, they will become the 15th country to make sure of their place in the World Cup finals. The only other group still to be decided is the Atrican point of the Atr

as it does towards the tan of the county championship, places a continuing burden on the baclubs, but if the experiment produces a strong and successful England side they may consider that the national interest has been The two remaining league representatives in the Uefa Cup, Ips-wich Town and Aston Villa, will

On a day when individual rather than corporate performance comes under the microscope it looks as if the so-called South XV, made up almost totally of Bristol and Gloucester players, has the easiest ride. In the longer term the main interest at Exeter may lie in the achievements or Steve Lewis, the Ebbw Valcscrum-half, heitlind the weaker pack and of John Scott, the England under-23 captain and lock now picked as a member of that pack at No 8.

Michael Beese, a Bath and former England centre, vio was to have captained out with a back former England centre. who was to have captained the south week side, has dropped out with a back injury. His place goes to David Course, of Maidenhead, and it is good to see his flourishing, up and coming club getting recognition of this sort.

At Esher, where London North take on London South, it seems probable that the selectors will be focusing special interest on the left wings, Wyatt and Wood, on Terry Claxton at prop and on the loose forwards in general. In that area we have at No 8 an interesting tosaic between, if he will pardon the expression, the old guard, Ripley, and a younger Rosslyn Park pretender to that position, Manuell. This means that position, Manuell. This means that Rignell, who has been in imposing fettle for Kent and Blackheath at No 8, is playing on a flank where the competition from men like Mordell, Cooke and Alexander is particularly keen.

The northern game at Heatingley produces what looks like an important tussic at half-back—old and Young versus John Hotton and Smith. Who will be the better full-back here, Caples or Guilick? Can Barke, an outstanding England 19 group centre last season, now mount a further step on the ladder? There has been

Rugby Union

could be

interest

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent

Experiment

in national

Thanks largely to the initiative and determination of Dickle Jeeps, then their president, the Rugby Football Union decided last season to inaugurate system of inter-regional and inter-divisional matches leading

divisional matches leading through one final national trial

to the England side.

The first fruits of that decision will be apparen; this afternoon, and by Monday morning we should know-more or less—how

should know—more or less—how
the best sixty players in the country are shaped up for London or
North and South West v Midlands
in the divisional encounters next
Saturday. There will of course be
a few players, second best in
their division, but arguably
superior to rivals elsewhere, who
might still figure in the argument
later on.
This new programme, coming
as it does towards the end of
the county championship, places

cunter? Can Borke, an outstanding England 19 group centre last season, now mount a further step on the ladder? There has been one change in the northern teams. Archer being replaced on the wing by Yorkshire's Bennett.

If one, takes for granted that Cooper will be the Middands' stand-off next week—his sperkling running in that relevised bonarua last Sunday seems to have impressed even his severest critics—then one of the questions to be recoved at Coventry is whether he retains his club partnership with Cifford. Gifford is a gifted runner, but the younger and most promising Peck may give him a good run for his moner today.

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or Rossborough at full-back? How strongly can the lock. Wilkinson, or Geoffrey Evans, a British Lions centre in 1974, reemphasize a claim to higher levels? To what extent can the Lekester flankers, Forfar and Smith, make a teiling mark?

Peter Wheeler, captain designate of the East XV. has withdrawn with a shoulder injury, his place going to Howe, of Bedford. If Wheeler is fit for his divisional side next week, then Cox, now his likeliest understudy in national terms, must be unlucky. But Cox should be seen again in the January trial.

first game

Rossiyu Park, involved in one of three London. Merit Table matthes today, have Treseder ar full back for the first time in eight weeks as a result of a foot injury. Wasps, Park's opponents, are without their half backs, Roll and Conner, who are in the trials. Peter Whiting, a New Zealand lock who has rejoined Harlequins this season, plays against Blackheath at the Rectory Field and another New Zealander, Gary Senior, makes his first appearance for the club at No 8.

Hockey

Norfolk's solid defence will set problems for Ipswich

By Sydney Friskin

Weekend hockey is dominated by club matches, many of which are being played tomorrow in the national club championship, ponsored by Rank Nerox. One of the more attractive games is the one at Crane's, lowich, where the home club are meeting Norfolk Wanderers in the quarter-final round of the eastern division.

In the Ipswich side are several players who helped Suffolk in the content with a content and the content with the content with the content and In the Ipswich side are several players who belped Suftolk in the county championship, including Knight who seems to have received from the back injury which forced him to retire from Sulfolk's game against Bedford-hire a fortught ago, Ipswich will rely on him to convert their short corners. Nortolk Wanderers, well stocked also with county players, have a sound defence which Ipswich will find difficult to penetrate.

Northumberland Cup and Cup have still to emerg southern area there is n because the semi-final Southgate v Guildford; Blackheath—has been in the final southgate for the final southgate in the final s

Progress has been more rapid in the western area where the semi-final stage has been reached. Isca and Mariborough should be involved in a close and lively match, but Moriands, the Somerset champions, should easily beat West Gloucester.

The nicture in the porthern

The picture in the northern area is still somewhat complicated in that the winners of the Northumberland Cup and Cheshire Cup have still to emerge. In the southern area there is no activity, because the semi-final roundnecause the semi-final round— Southgate v Guidford; Slough v Blackheath—has been postponed to next Sunday. No date has yet been fixed for the final.

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Bedfordshire Eagles, who have taken a few knocks in the premier division of the East League, trayel to Cambridge to play Cambridge City. Unless Cambridge give a superb performance they are unlikely to put the Eagles to fillsh, rarticularly if Kavanach strikes its short corners as well as he did last week.

In the midlands, Nottinghambline, who are trying to regain the national title, have several players who have played at county and divisional level. It is difficult to see their equilibrium being disturbed by Shifmal, the champions of Shropshire. Bournyille, the Warcestershire champions, hope to have Mallett fit for their match against Stone.

England quality

New Delhi, Dec 2.—The Indian Hockey Federation Light Blues—the second string of India's World Cup probables—won the last match in their pool at the Nehru hockey fournament here today, but failed to qualify for the semi-final round. They beat Indian Alrines 3—2. This gave them five points from four matches—the same tally as Border Security Force (BSF) and England, but BSF and England go into the semi-final round tomorrow. England will play the Hockey Federation Light Blues—the second string of India's World Cup probables—won the last match in their pool at the Nehru hockey rournament here today, but failed to qualify for the semi-final round. They beat Indian Pound. They beat Indian Pound are the semi-final round on goal average. In the semi-final round tomorrow. England will play the Hockey Federation Light Blues—the second string of India's World Cup probables and winner of the first pool. In the other semi-final match BSF will play Gentral Reserve Police Force.—Reuter.

Tennis

Two thirds of the First division way towards half a Davis Cup

Sydney, Dec 2.—Australia took two long steps sowards winning the Davis Cup when they won both singles on the opening day of the final against Italy here roday.

But even after Tony Roche's 6—3, 6—4, 6—4 win over Adriano, Panatta and John Alexander's 6—2, 8—6, 4—6, 6—2 victory over Corrado Barazzutti, che Australian non-playing captain, Neale Fraser, is not celebrating yet. "Naturally, I'm very happy, but the cup is not won yet ", he said.

Pecke gare Baratta to time to

Roche gave Panatia no time to settle down in the first match and raced through the first set in just over half an hour. His strong service and readiness to come to the net seemed to throw the ltalian complexely out of stride. Roche broke Panatta's service In the first game of the second set and was soon two sets up. He then weathered a rally by Panatta in

After today's performances by the Australians, it is long odds on their capturing the trophy for the 17th time since the war. They could well clinch victory mmor-

A part of the historic Davis Cup, valued at \$250,000, was missing and believed stolen on the evo of the final. The loss of a hearily scrolled silver leaf from the base of the trophy was discovered today at the official draw.

Weekend fixtures

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West Brom Albion v Norwich.... Scottish premier division Aberdeen & Motherwell Clydebank v Rangers (p) Dundee Utd v Ayr Hiberuian v Celtic (p)

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when we lost just 2—0, we'll resard that as a success."

The part-timens of Luxembourg have conceded 19 goals in their five qualifying marsies so far. Italy, without their injured captain Facchetti, will field an attacking formation to make sure of the victory they need to reach the finals.

Facchetti, who has amounced he will quit playing at the end of this season, pulled a leg muscle at Wembley Stadium in London on November 16 in the World Cup qualification match Italy lost to England 9—2. Tile 35-year-old defender and Mozzini were judged here as key elements in that defeat—too slow for the speed the English displayed.

A full house is expected at Rome's Olympic stadium to theer on the new sweeper, Maxiredonia, a bright young prospect from Lario who takes Facchetti's place for an international first appearance in front of his home crowd.

To broaden play out to the wings, the centre back Mozzini, has been left out of the team. Gentile takes over in the centre of the defence and Cuccureddu comes in to add another attacking full back to Italy's side.

A one-goal victory will see Italy through but their manager Euro Bearzot, wants an emphatic performance from his side after their dismal display in losing 2—0 to Second division Blackburn v Crystal Palace

Glackpool v Brighton Chelsen v Everton Bristol Rovers v Hull City...... Covening v Bristol City...... Cardiff v Sheftield Utd (2.15).... Derby v Manchester City Charlion v Sunderland Ipswich v Aston Villa Fulham v Bolton Manchester Und v Wolves Oldham v Millwall Middlesbrough v Arsenal Orient v Mansfield Newcastle v Leicester...... Tottenham H v Southampton

> Scottish first division East Fife v Arbroath Hamilton v Hearts (p) Kilmarneck v Bundee Regional Matches Stirling A. v. Queen of C (p)

Third division

Carliste v Port Vale Barnsley v Reading Cliester v Chesterfield Doucaster v Crewe Exeter v Cambridge Util Grimsby v Bournemouth Gillingham v Walsall Newport v Hartlepool (3.15) Oxford Utd v Shrewsbury Swanses v Northampton Tomorrow Preston NE v Portsmouth York City v Torquey Rotherham v Wrexham

Rugby Union B International Match Scotland & Iroland (al. Murarfield. 2.15)

Club Matches

Scottish second division
Albion Roy v Bercick (p)
Breching v Strantaer (p)
Clyde v Meadowbank (p)
Cowdenbesth v Stenhousemur
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Falkirk v Raith (p)
Fortar v Dunfermine

Northern premier
Altrinam v Maloric: Berloy United v Morely (2.50)
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widnes v Bradford Northern (2.30)
First Division Lacrosse

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Television highlights

BBC 1
Football: Preview (12.20)
Racing; Chepstow races at 1.0,
1.30, 2.0, 2.30
Snooker: Blackpool tournament
(1.10, 2.10, 4.0)
Squash: Wembley tournament
(1.40)
Rallycross: Lydden meeting (2.40,
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Rallycross: Lydden meeting (2.40, 4.20)

Rugby League: Widnes v Brad (4.0)

Football: March of the Day (10.5)

Rallycross: Lydden meeting (2.40, (3.10))

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Football: Bradford promotion (4.0)

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Moun Park selection

in US after being sold for record sum

Bertram Firestone, a property dealer from Virginia, paid 154,003 guineas for the 1,000 Guineas winner, Mrs McArdy, at the Newmarket December sales yesterday. This was a record price for any horse in training ever sold in this country, then 135 000 country, beating the 136,000 guineas fetched by Vaguety Noble 10 years ago at the same sales. The bidding started at 80,000 guineas as Mrs McArdy, looking the country here. ier debonzir best stepped auntily around the ring. The action finally resolved itself into dual between Mr Firestone and fom Cooper, of the British Blood-tock Agency (Ireland) who was be underbidder.

Mrs McArdy will be flown to be United States where she will con be racing at Hialeah under he supervision of Mr Firestone's rainer. Learny Jolley. In 1979 Ars McArdy will be mated with rainer, Learoy Jolley. In 1979
Ars McArdy will be mated with louest Pleasure, the property ealer's own stallion who was hampion American two-year-did 1975.

Ar Firestone's green and white slours are well known in both agland and Ireland. King's Company. Red Alert, and this season's ibblesdale Stakes winner, Nantious, are but three of his horses ho have won high class races I both countries.

Sired by Tribal Chief, Mra IcArdy is yet another representive of the prepotent male line (Nearco. Her sale to the United rates is another example of the infibuling loss of our best bloodates from these islands.

Mrs McArdy was bred by Lord rimthorpe. She raced in the ilours of Mrs Edith Kertlewell, a delier from Aysgarth, and was alted at Flaxton by Michael isterby. The filly's speed should ake her ideally suited to the merican courses, "Sire'll not be beaten over ere", Easterby said, "that is

of course if they can manage to train the filly. But I've given them a few hims", the trainer added with a grin. Mrs McArdy has a reputation for liking to race on her own, wide of her field, so it will be interesting to see how site fares in America where the races are run at breakneck nace throughout.

the races are run at breakneck pace throughout.
Although the sale of Mrs McArdy aroused great excitement, there was nowhere near the electric amosphere surrounding the auction of Vaguely Noble in 1967. Everyone in the crowded ring that bitter evening was aware that a porentially great horse was coming on the market. If the 1968 Prix de l'Arc de Triomiphe winner had passed through the ring yesterday. de l'Arc de Triomphe winner had passed through the ring yesterday, the sky would have been the limit. Apart from Mrs McArdy the final day's only other excitement was caused by Reine Dagobert, a six-year-old mase offered in foal to Lymbard and bought day.

Fala Lad lands substantial gamble on the Tote

Gala Lad, a horse who is biind one eye, was the medium of a ate gamble at Marker Rasen yesorday, for, although the Jack gray-trained winner of the White can Selling Hurdle was returned to favourite on the book, the Tote id out a win dicidend of 5-1. "There was a lot of money the horse off-course", said a set spokesman. Gala Lad, tidden by Nigel Tinks, won by three tuarters of a nath from King of Swing, the in having drawn right away from

Mrs McArdy to race | Alverton to extinguish Beacon Light

Peter Easterby, the trainer of the champion hurdler, Night

Nurse, and Sea Pigeon, can capture the Mesca Bookmakers Handicap Hurdle with Alverton this afternoon. John O'Neill, with only a slight limp to show for his fall on Sea Pigeon in the Colonial Cup last Saturday, will be riding Mrs Stanhope Joel's seven-yearold. Alverton will be out to atone for his expensive lapse when coming to grief at the first flight in this race two seasons ago. Alverton is as tough as teak. The wither of seven races on the flat in 1976, the gelding was paying the penalty for those successes last season. Easterby started to think that Alverton might be losing some of his enthusiasm after so many hard races. But an easy victory over some moderate opponents in a hurdle race at Doncaster seems to have given him a new lease of life, as Alverton battled his heart out when chasing home Kybo in the Black and White Whisky Hurdle at Ascot a furnight ago.

Whisky Hurdle at Ascot a fortmight ago.

Alverton should certainly have
the bearing of Peterhof, who
finished six lengths behind him in
third place. The samble of the
race, however, has been on the
top, weight, Beacon Light, who
looked so impressive when
accounting for Night Nurse and
Dramatist at Newbury. But the
form is slightly suspect as the
champion hurdler was considered
to be in need of that race, Judged
on indirect lines of form spread

Sandown Park programme [Television (IBA): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

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1.30 HENRY VIII STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £1,604: 24m 68yd)

2.0 MECCA BOOKMAKERS' HURDLE (Handicap: £7.044: 2m) 22003-1 Sacre Light (9) (N loci) R Turnell 5-12-1 A Turnell 5-12-1 Paterbof (8) Mrs S. Joel) F Walvyn 5-14 W Smith 1920 Alverton (8) Mrs S. Joel M H Easterby 7-11-4 D Neell 1920- Sacre Section (9) (A McCarthy) C Thomnon 6-10-4 D Munre 22146-9 Grey Secuestics (C-S) (J. Evaps) F Mellowsky 4-10-5

306 1301-02 Regent's German (D) (Mrs M. Blackmore), L. Xenn

510 4044-2 Figurmans Cot (D) (W. Townsend), Mrs E. Kenne

The Hartford (B) (B. Shine), B. Swift, 6-10-0 \$41-33; Narristoni (C-D) (Miss L. Smith), D. Kent, 6-10-0 003031 Smiol-(N. Ledger), Ledger, 4-10-0 Mrs.

2.30 MECCA BOOKMAKERS' STEEPLECHASE (Handicap:

This is by no means a two-borse affair. Decek Kent's two runners, Royal Charley and Narribing, both useful povices last seaton; should prove dangerous carrying bottom weight. Fisherman's Cot and Hardy Turk are also expected to go well. asso expected to go well.

But this \$10,000 prize should become a duel in which Alverton's battling qualities will be trying to binnt Beason Light's redoubtable turn of foot. I shall rely on my reports of Alverton's well being.

The supporting Mecca Book-makers Handicap Steeplectuse promises to be a real thriller. All four runners hold sound chances and anything may happen as these quick two-milers huri hemselves at these tightly packed fences. The race will become a battle of fartics. The course specialists The course specialists Tingle Creek and Grangewood Garl, are both front runners, and Tree Tangle and Perambulate will be biding their time in order to use their finishing speed over the last two femces. Both horses have last two fences. Both horses have been known to have their off days, but both won last time out, as did. Tingle Creek and Grange-wood Girl.

Will Tingle Creek and Grange-wood Girl cut each other's throats, or will they break the hearts of their patient opponents? There are any number of permutations, so I am going for Grange-wood Girl who may be the outsider of this talegued little hand. Mrs Ann Finch's mare ran the tace of her life when just failing to hear Skymas in the National

but Rodman made his rivals look like donkeys on the sands that afternoon.

Winter stated publicly before Accelerate's victory over Bedford Lodge at Newtonry that John Henderson's three-year-old was the only boyse with as much possible talent in his yard. The trainer's opinion having so far been vindicated, Nicky Henderson, Winter's assistant trainer, should ride his father's horse to victory today.

The Sandown executives must be gnashing their teeth with rage at the poor turn-out for the Henry VIII Novices' Steeplechase. The four best horses in the field have been withdrawn. Havamus and Trustful are going to Market Rasen where they should win the Chase Novices' Steeplechase, and the Stanley Tools Novices' Steeplechase qualifier, respectively.

Winter's Snow Flyer is making his eagerly awaited responsance in the Phoenica Steeplechase at Chepstow. And finally to make the clerk of the course raise his hands in utter despair, Tony Dickinson's quick jumping novice, True Wish, was unable to be given a final gallop on the frozen ground at Gisburn and will have to wait for Wetherby on Tuesday. In their absence, this race should full to Preblas, successful in his last two races for David Nicholson. There is a proliferation of two races for David Nicholson There is a proliferation

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Hunt Two Mile Champion opportunities for the younger opportunities for the younger shared to beat today.

A simpler problem seems to be posed in the Christmas Rose Hurdle. Persian Crown and Brongular on the Monmouthshire Steeplechase at Cheltenham last March. If she can recapture that ability Grangewood Gril will be hard to beat today.

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403 42:2-41 Grasswood Giri (J. Chariton), Mrs A. Finch, 8-11-10 J. O'Nelli 404 103-32:1 Tyce Tangie (C-0) (Mrs C. Williams), R. Turnell, 8-12-5 405 23:12:1 Perumbulate i Mrs D. Moets), D. Barons, 8-11-1 ... J. King 13-8 Free Tangie, 3-1 Tingie Creek, 7-2 Perumbulate, 5-1 Grangewood Clirk.

3.30 DECEMBER HURDLE (Handicap: £1,394: 2m 5f 75yd)

002:0-0 Cistercombs (Lord Vestrey), D. Nicholson, c-11-9 ... A. Webb 0012-0 Winslew Eng (C. Spancer), A. Nicore, 4-11-8 ... Mr C. Moore 1000-00 Cistercomponny (S. Courage), Courage, 7-11-7 ... A. Webb 02:000-2 Englishes Taffy (C) (P. Upston), Upston, 10-11-7 P. Burgoyne 0-31-02 Lan Stawer (Mrs. R. Whiteway, J. Chirore, 1-11-2 R. Chagnul 04:01-0-7 Chapter (Mrs. R. Whiteway, J. Chirore, 1-11-2 R. Chagnul 04:01-0-7 Chapter (Mrs. Wilcott, A. Walco, 3-0-0-7 Chapter (Mrs. Wilcott, A. Walcott, A. Walcott,

ISTMAS ROSE HURDLE (3-y-0: E1,772: 2m)

10 Senhar (D), (F. Penney, N. Gassiee, 10-15 Mr N. Heri ersch

12 Scotlerste J. Henderson'), F. Winter, 10-15 Mr N. Heri ersch

13 Scotlerste J. Henderson'), F. Winter, 10-16 Miss S. Scotlerste

14 Clothes Line (R. Ellis'), A. Pitt, 10-10 Miss S. Scotlerste

15 Dean's Gny (E. Haliday), D. Reth, 10-10 Miss S. Scotlerste

16 Dean's Gny (E. Haliday), D. Reth, 10-10 Miss S. Scotlerste

17 Sersian Crawn (R. Josh R. Turnell, 10-10 G. McCourt

18 Gentleman At Arms (P. Richards), N. Callaghan, 10-10 J. Knotlerste

19 Perstan Crawn (R. Josh R. Turnell, 10-10 ... A. Turnell

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19 Siver Saul (Major D. Wigan), J. Gifford, 10-10 ... R. Champlon

19 Souls Saune (Mrs. L. Moore: A. Moore: 10-10 ... A. Weber

19 Continuan At Arms, 10-1 Sunhat, 14-1 Weigh Steel, 16-1 Clothes Line,

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3.0 CHRISTMAS ROSE HURDLE (3-y-0: £1,772: 2m)

The the Wink is not exactly a novice, having won the Arkie Challenge Trophy last season. But Michael Simmonds's seven-year-Michael Simmonds's seven-yearold is still comparatively inexperienced. The the Wink led the Black
and White Whisky Gold Cup field
at a furious gallop before fading
out to finish fifth. But talented
animal that Tip the Wlok is, he
may be better later in the season.
I am going for Kas, who was
brought down by Bailet Lord at
the last lence at Doncaster when
both horses were clear of the
field. Kas was in the top flight
of young hurdlers last season and
may be too goud for Tip the Wink
at a difference of 7lb. Finally at a difference of 7lb. Finally Fulke Walwyo's rejuvenated eight-year-old Zellaman can record his third victory in succession by delying a 5lb penalty in the Ladbroke Hurdle.

Gold Cup rivals meet Irish-trained Cheltenham Gold Cup contenders are in opposition at Fairyhouse in the £3,000 added three mile Silk Cut Steeplechase. They are Bannow Rambler, Brown Lad and Davy Lad.

Shifting Gold could be Bailey's last winner

Victory in sight: Tiepolino (right) takes the last with

"This could be my last winner", Ken Bailey, the Brackley
trainer, said after Shifting Gold,
artistically ridden by Michael
Dickinsom, came again to defeat
Ghost Writer by one length and
a half in Sandown's Ewell Handicap Steeplechave yesterday. "I
am handing over to my son kim.
He applied for the licence on Saturday", Bailey said, adding: "I
am very sorry in some ways but
I will be around if he wants any
advice."

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Bailey continued: "Shifting Gold will go for the National, he's the right type for the National, he's decided to visit Sandown last season for the Whitbread Gold Cup only for the borse to get warbles in his withers. I bought him from Michael's father Toay."

Appropriately, Bailey was finishing on the course where he had his greatest triumph, the Mildmay Memorial Steeplechase, with the horse he rates as his best—Mac Joy. Bailey took out a licence before the war and upon resuming, had his first success with a double at Folkestone in 1946. In the intervening years he has the lotervening years he has brought his total to over 200 winners. Hills offer 33-1 about Shifting Gold in the National, and Ladbrokes go 25-1.

Only the intervention of Culonel

Mustard, who caught Kilbroney for a head verdict in the Palace Handicap Steeplechase, prevented a Josh Gifford treble. That defeat

was sandwiched between the ric-tories of Tiepolino (Bookham Novices' Steeplechase) and Shore Captain (second division of the Regent Novices' Hurdle). Tiepolino just lassed home against Dyscole, who came with a sustained run to get to within a length of Mr George Sloan's sixth winner of the season. The American rider, now living at Findon to his attempt to top the umateur's table, bought Tiepolito from Major Derek Wigar during the

Major Derek Wigar huring the summer.

After looking all over the winner, Kilhroney was caught close home by the Graham Thorner ridden Colonel Mustard in the Palace Steeplechase. Thorner used all his celebrated strength to urge Colonel Mustard to a head verdict. Tim Forster, the trainer, said: "That was a rypical Graham effort, He could have accepted it when the horse went through the Pond fence het Colonel Mustard is all courage."

Forster added: "Thus was a good f1.500's worth. Tom Cooper of the BBA (ireland) bought him for me as a three-year-old and said Colonel Mustard would make a good hunter if he didn't make a good hunter if he didn't make a racehorse. He hasn't been out of the first two in his last 10 runs. But for the past two years, he has had to be rested after Christmas because of hroken blood vessels."

ledgefield programme 145 AYCLIFFE HURDLE (5272; 2m)

Sky Pic. 100-50 General Syntame. . I Weather All. 15-2 King H. S-rounde Lid 12-1 Growded had the I Spanish Nun. 15-1 others 5 SHERBURN HURDLE (Handicap: £418: 2m) 1703.0 Asset Clare (C.D.) A. Dickinson, e-11-0 M. D. O04-060 Daves Equal (D). 1. Fairners, 1-10-15 M. D. O30-C0 Husting Supplies (C.D.) I. Walton, 5-10-2 Mr. J. (111-0 Micky Acklam (D). W. Elsey, 7-10-2 Mr. J. (111-0 Micky Acklam (D). W. Elsey, 7-10-2 Mr. J. (111-0 Mr 5 BLACK LION STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: \$764: 2m) 5 HOPE INN STEEPLECHASE (£868: 3m 250yd) 3220-17 Chasen Siere (C), W. Naughton, 16-11-11 M. Dickinson 32174-1 Source (C), R. Wilkinson --11-17 C. Hawkinson --12-17 C. Hawkinson 5 HARDWICK ARMS STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £700: 21-343 Winter Chimes (C), k, A, Stophen an, 8-12-0. G. Faulkner G-21626 Half A Supponer (D), K, Oliver, 12-11-15. Mr J. Markie 7 022220 Bold Warrier J. Cerre, 6-17-17. Discharge 007-304 Penack, 1 Hongroon, 10-10-10. Mr J. Walton prisonal Gaid Prince (C-D), K, Enhall, N-16-8. Mr J. Walton prisonal Marcus Lady (D), t, Linib, S-10-6. R. Lamb 213447 Toughie, M. Supphinon, 10-15-2. G. Hawkins 112-pp. Denachiller, M. Supphinon, 10-15-2. G. Hawkins 112-p hold Waltur 7-2 Winter Chimes, 5-1 Half a Sixponce, 15-3 Mercus 2-1 Gold Prints 10-1 Pospeck, 12-1 Touchie, 14-1 Donadellos. HARPINGTON HURDLE (2557 : 2m) | HARPINGTON HURDLE (2557: 2m) | 2000-00 | Beau Brigs. R. Crofs. dill-12 | S. Charlion S. Roseley Brig. W. Cam. ford. 4-11-12 | C. Hawkins of Roseley Brig. W. Cam. ford. 4-11-12 | C. Hawkins of Research S. Com. ford. 4-11-12 | Mr. F. Walton S. Com. ford. 5-11-13 | C. Faultiner S. Com. Shy. F. Lares. 4-11-13 | C. Faultiner S. Com. Shy. F. Lares. 4-11-14 | C. Faultiner S. Com. Shy. F. Lares. 4-11-14 | C. Faultiner S. Com. ford. 5-11-14 | C. Faultiner

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of Spanish Nun. 1.15 Angel Clare 1.45 Brown, 2.15 CHOSEN SLAVE presents recommended, 2.45 Toughie, 3.15 Lady Val.

ndown Park selections

Double Bordal, 1,30 Prehibas, 2.8 ALVERTON is specially recom-nied, 2,29 Grangewood, Girl. 3,0 Accelerate, 3,30 Warrenbayne our Newmarket Correspondent Grey Mountain, 2.30 Tingle Creek, 3.0 Gentleman at Arms.

Sandown Park results vesterday

1.0 (1.5) RECENTS HUNDLE (De 1: Novices: 6720: Sm) Baltyfis Lake
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Bekton Collage, 1-1 Gold Claim, 28-1
lecompetown, 33-1 indian Clawa (481). Essara Lullaby, Chavey Down, Satte-vert, Genial Stee, Trench, Tropsea, Warrior King, Abrus, Flendell, 17 un, TOTE: Wm. L.1-32; places, 43p, 11p, 27p; dua' forecast, 21,49, D. Keni, et Chichester, di Gi. Tacking and Comp-ion Cassey did not run.

CMASS : Novices: £664; 2m 18yd).
Tispeline, b h. My Thunny My Boy,
—Tispelinto (G. Bloss), 5-11-9

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R. Charepion (13-10 fev) 2
Wajward Scot, J. Francome (6-4) 3
ALSO RAN: 33-1 Chistmas Commit
(p) 4 Pan. 2.30 (2.55) EWELL STEEPLECHASE (Mandcap: £1,165: Jm 5f 18yds).
Skirting Cold, b g, by Bright as Cold-Stort Strift (B. Rüssell), 8-11-7 ... M. Dickmenn (D-1) 1 Choes Writer W. Smith (6-4 fay 2 Roman Heliday ... J. King (12-1) 3 ALSO RAN' 9-2 Evander (4th 1, 16-1 The Songwriter, 6 ren.

5.0 (3.8. BOUS BARROTT HURDLE (Handica): 2560; 2m3 (Handica): 2m3

5.20 (5.38) REGERTS NUMBER (DIV II: Novices: 2736: 24m; Shere Captain, D. B. D. Siymaster Markett Vergals 12. Peakhni, 1 2-11-12 Vergals 12. Peakhni, 1 2-11-12 R. Champion (9-4; 9 My Mustar M. Skinjey (10-1) 3 ALSO RAN(9-1 Explorateur, 12-1 Burms Pink, 25-1 Paul Alson, 1 Primu Silp, 33-3 Watervide (44h), 1 My Mustar M. Sainter (24h), 1 My Mustar M. My Mustar (24h), 1 My Mustar M. My Musta Louige 15 Fan. 480: places, 180, 110, 270: Win. 480: places, 180, 110, 270: dual forecast, 200, 1, Gifford, at Findon, 11, 41.

TOTE DOUBLE: Colonel Musicret, Easter Sci. £28.20. TREBLE: Tepolino, Spirling Gald, Shore Castan, E8.50. JACKPOT: \$335.35. Guzranford, sool today \$5,000. PLACEPOT, 215.75.

11-2 Foolsome, 6-1 Reine Saau, Jen Siewar, 5-1 Hay Bridge, Tinjon Rittin. 10-1 Sommethie, Oemovose, 13-1 Morry Kerry, Quickspenny, 14-1 Listercombe, 16-1 Warrynbasne Prunch, 20-1 others. Market Rasen programme [Television (IBA): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 races] 12.45 GEORGE HURDLE (Handicap: £392: 2m) SAULTON THE MEMBER (PIRICICED: 2.332) OB Abbus Style, A. Brusbourne, p. 12-1 T Barran's Lad. S. Skyles, 4-11-12: 244 Nan's Gars. Nr. S. Coldicon. p. 11-7 MSO Bright Comet, B. Richmond. 5-10-10 Proven Fox (C-0), D. Chagman. 8-10-9 110 Brown Fox (C-0), A. Dent. 10-10-9 140 Hedgewses, J. Kersay, 5-10-5 121 Tricle (9), M. Delahoele, 5-10-4 Mightand Jig. W. Wirnhi, 5-10-2 300 Miscall, A. Grodvill, 6-10-0 OGO trish Word (0), Nr. R. Lomax, 9-10-0 G. Brown, S. Surice, 10-0 Mischiel D. Chagman, Ed. 10-0 Mischiel D. Chagman, 10-0 Mischiel D. Chagman, 10-0 Mischiel D. Chagman, 10-0 Mischiel D. Chagman, 10-0 G. P. Kelly . 5-4 Triple, 7-2 Nan's Gem. 9-2 Brown Fox 6-1 Comet, 10-1 Rolus, 10-1 Highland Jig. 16-1 others. 1.15 MUCH OBLIGED STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 5993: 2m 5£) 11 1-13020 Base (C), G. Vergette, B-12-0 P. J. Kelly 2 471-214 Redbin (C), R. Carter, B-11-9 P. B. Ecker 1 1011-02 Pose Bay, D. Morier, 7-12-5 B. R. Davies 2 013-212 Arctic Challenge, C. Fairbeitin 7-10-1 Mr. P. Grages B 10 42-0001 Harmbey Light (C-2), R. Beanatt, B-10-0 Mr. R. Semmet 7 2-1 Poor Soy, 3-1 Redbin, 4-1 Slips, S-2 Arctic Challenge, 6-1 Humber Light. 1.45 PANAMA CIGAR HURDLE (4y-o: Qualifier: £1,312: 2m)

2.15 LINCOLNSHIRE POACHER HURDLE (£1,745: 2m) 2.45 STANLEY TOOLS STEEPLECHASE (Novices: Qualifier: £1,857 : 3m)

£1,857: 3m)

2 00-1978 Companion (C). H. Maddever, 6-11-7 Mr P. Barris 7

20-2212 Peter Scot (B). D. Gandoffe, 6-11-7 P. Barris 7

20-2212 Peter Scot (B). M. Oliver, 6-11-7 Mr J. Weston 5

3 2-4-47 Cate Lines, J. Fitzontald, 5-11-1 Mr R. Bennost 7

3 -4-40 Cate Lines, J. Fitzontald, 5-11-1 Mr R. Bennost 7

9 084-Cab Bevin Soldfer, O. Brennan, 6-11-1 D. Barris 11

10 09-12 Peter View, G. Fairbainn, 7-11-1 L. Warkinson 11

10 09-12 Sansarri, J. Edwards, 5-11-1 D. Romderland 15

2277-2 Sansarri, J. Edwards, 5-11-1 R. Barry 11

23 -4a The Afficiation, M. H. Earlerbin, 7-11-1 R. Barry 11

24 -4a The Afficiation, M. H. Earlerbin, 7-11-1 P. Barry 11

25 -4a The Afficiation, M. H. Earlerbin, 7-11-1 P. Barry 11

26 -12 Doc-12s John Sweet, R. Rybing, 5-12 D. Phillin, 7

3-1 Trinstin, S. Viene, Scot, 7-2 The Afficiation, 5-1 Three Gens, 8-1 Cate Lings, 12-1 Companion, 16-1 others. 3.15 CHASE STEEPLECHASE (Novices: 5692: 2m) 1 100211 Came Spring, W. Guest, 8-11-10 i. Watkinson 8 4210-13 "Mavanus, D. Morley, 5-11-9 ii. Watkinson 90 Coffee Dam, Mrs. J. French, 7-11-7 Shellagh French 7 13 po Sketch, Mrs. J. French, 7-11-7 Scarlet French 7 15 pop-4 Stellate, S. Mellor, 5-11-1 P. Rischer 18 pop Liberty Queen, F. Coton, 4-10-7 D. Sunderland 2-5 Stellats, 15-8 Come Spring, 16-1 others.

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Market Rasen Chepstow programme 12.45 (13.46) WHITE SWAN HURDLE [Television (BBC1): 1.0, 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races] Gain Led, ch y, by Gais Performance—Land 15. Griffithat, 5-10-0 N. Tinkler (5-4 ray King of Swing. A. Lovel 18-17 Take Alm. D. Munro (7-3) Take Alm ... D. Munro (7-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Harry's Firzale,
20-1 Slakewin, 12-1 Sleased Boy, Summer Servanda, Weishorn 20-1 John
Meludy (44hr. 23-1 Velled Boy 1p.,
Andurs, 11 ran,
TOTE: Win, 12p: places, 11p., 75p.
12p: dual forecast, 25,00 J. Harry,
El-gunton, 41, 71, Groove's Wilsone
and Boylandon, Said thi act ron, Winmer was bought for 21,500. CHASE (Novices: 2622: 2m)
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Biamond Heast R. Hyelf (20-1: 2
Grimson Glere
Walkinson (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-4 It (ave Cask and
Glass (48h.) Heiderborn (1, 11-1) Wild
Rushes, 12-1 Silent Comfort, 14-1
High Quickeless, 20-1 Snowy M, 23-1
High Quickeless, 20-1 Snowy M, 23-1
Shie Sin, Morey Lodge, 11 ran.
TOTE: Win, 72p: pisces. 25b.
£1.08, 27p; dual forecast, 521.9-4, B.
Morley, Bury St Edmunds, 2-4, 9-1

1.45 (1.46) GORDON ARMS HUROLE Randicap. 2631: 2m;

2.45 (2.47) HAVE-A-CARE HURDLE (Dry I: Novices: \$199: 3m)

1.0 PHILIP CORNES HURDLE (Novices: £1.332: 21m) Asthers Daughter S. Mirlief, 1-10-10 S. S. Mirlief, 1-10-10 Mr. G. Siroman, 1-10-10

1.30 EMBASSY PREMIER STEEPLECHASE (\$1,322: 2\frac{1}{2}m)

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8.15 (8.18) HAVE-A-CARE HURDLE 3.30 RABAT HURDLE (Handicap : 4y-0 : £954 : 2m) 109-50 Legels, 4-1 Businell 5-1 Cold Instruct, 17-2 Ambrenion Per Gallone Judie, 10-1 Fragmann, 12-1 Extraveganza, True Shut, 14-1 Jemped Left 15-10me Puru, 20-1 others

00 years on from Drake, England are still bowling Spain over

he English, in their time, have patriate Englishmen, both those in ass excelled at introducing new ris to the notices. Practically by leading world sport gow and was developed in this fer and then taken to other the niss of missionaries, the ted forces, Empire builders or . It was even an Englisha ishe launched competitive sid-MATERIALIS ions, therefore, that it took the opean Economic Commonity to the about before anyone tried to arest other restern Europeans fawn bowls.

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patriate Englishmen, both those in retirement, or merely tax refugees, have once again become active in the spread of a sporting gospel. Spain now has tourist facilities for howling holidays. Their domestic players have applied to join the game's world wide governing body, the International Bowling Board (IBB) and a European bowls championship of sorts is planned there for October, 1978, with commercial television already expressing intelevision aiready expressing inwest Germany, however, is the

prime target for those professionally concerned in the development of bowls in Europe. Bowls aroused considerable interest when it was demonstrated at a recent Cologne fair. With synthetic surand indoor bowls, too, catching on incredibly fast, the present era has been an ideal one for construction and equipment firms to seek new outlets. And what more handy than immediate neighbours across the Channel within the EEC termores.

Links were first established by commercial interests with the English Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representatives of the English Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representatives of the English Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representatives of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representatives of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representatives of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting at which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting a which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting a which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting a which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the picture. One meeting a which representative of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the English Indoor Bowling Association of the English Indoor Bowling Association (EBA) into the English Indoor Bowling Association of the English Indoor Bowling Association of the English Indoor Bowling Association, with the Indicate of the English Indoor Bowling Association, with the Indicate of the English Indoor Bowling Association, with the Indicate of the Engli

Thompson's chance to gain foothold for Olympics

Tokyo. Dec 2.—Britain's Ian Thompson, Finland's Lasse Viren. William Rogers of the United States and Japan's Takeshi Soh will stage a thrilling competition in the twelfth Fukuoka international marathon, to be run in Fukuoka, Kyushu Island on Sunday.

day.

A field of 84 runners from 11 countries will start the gruelling 42.195 kilometre race at poon

first victory in an international marathon. He says: "The problem is how to keep the pace in the last five kilometres. If I can and the local club is among es for the special proof metodes being arranged t summer's EBA seventymiversary. A tour, spony Kodak, has been arranged singles' champions of the me countries, together with fa Australia, New Zealand. Africa and the United climax will involve these this in a masters' tournat Worthorg from June 9 with the highlights being d by television for showing a weekly series on EEC 2.

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An English upbringing

Edgar Allan Poe in London/by David Sinclair



Above : Elizabeth Arnold Poe, Edgar's mother

A reader coming to Edgar tobacco merchant, and his child-Allan Poe's tales of mystery less wife, Frances. The adopand horror for the first time could easily be forgiven for thinking that he was an English rather than an American writer. His elaborate, even luxuriant, style, his backdrops with their rich but tasteful draperies, his damp and misty landscapes, his obsession with rncestry and tradition-all have the feel, simost the smell, of England. Much of this is derivative, borrowed from English and other European writers, but there can be no doubting the influence on Poe of the four-end-a-hade boyhood

years he spent in England. Edgar Poe was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on January 19. 1809, but his roots lay firmly in the British Isles. On his father's side, his forebears were immigrants to colonial America, having originated in County Cavan, in what is now the Jrish Republic, His mother, London-born actress whose own mother had been a lead-ing player at the Thearre Royal, Covent Garden, in the

Edgar knew little of his parents. When he was harely a year-old his father, David Poe, disappeared, leaving his wife with two children to care for and a third on the way. David, born in Baltimore, Maryland, had given up a promising career in the law in favour of a roving rootless and pre-carious existence on the stage—a life for which he pro-yed to be entirely unsuited. He Arnold while they were both working with a theatre com-

pany in Virginia. Elizabeth was an accom-

plished actress and popular with audiences, but David, in the words of one critic who saw him, was not fit to play anything more than walk-on parts, and his leek of talent did nothing to help his wife's career. The couple joined a company in Boston, but success company in Boston, but success cluded them and they sank into poverty. The financial train was increased with the birth of their first child. Heary, in 1807, a year after their marriage, and by the time Edgar was born they were in desperate circumstances, with David draking heavily and begging, usually in vain, from wealthy relatives. When Edger was two months old, the family moved to New York in the hope of better fortunes. Elizabeth did quite , but David became a tar-for America's fiercest theatre critics, who attacked not only his bad acting but lso his drunkenness. In 1810, l'Erabeth hecome pregnant regin. This was too much for David. Faced on the one hand with the renom of the critics and on the other with the pros-

leed, he cave up the struggle in, one sense, this was the best thing that could have happened to Elizabeth. It was difl'zuit bringing up three hildren single handed, but at ast her career was tree of be hurden of her husband's ck of talent. She moved to chunned, Virginia, and tentre audiences there. The roverty had weakened her. lawever, and in December old—she died of consumption.
After Elizabeth's death.
Heavy Pue was sent to live
with his grandparents in Rahiriors, the youngest child—a girl named Rosajie—went to a fimily in Richmond, and I dgar was informally adopted by John Allan, a Richmond

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World. Allan was a Scot, born in Agrishire in 1780, who had

By the time he adopted Edgar, Allan was a successful husinessman. He had left his uacle's firm in 1800 to set up a tobacco exporting and hardware company with another of Galt's employees, Charles Ellis, and the company had pros-pered. Allan had later married Frances the daughter of an established Virginian family, and become an American citizen, though he assiduously kept up contacts with his rel-atives in Scotland and nursed ambitions to return to Britain to set up a branch of his firm

Alleg gor his chance to cross

sive and somewhat farcical War of 1812 between England and the United States, which arose because the English navy arose because the English navy seized American cargoes on the high seos. American merchants, starved of business by the war, rushed to expand their operations when the peace treaty was signed in December 1814, and by the summer of the following year. Allan had completed plans for his London venture. On June 23. 1815, he and Frances, with Edgar and Frances's unmarried sister Nancy, set off on the month-long voyage to England.

They landed at Liverpool, For six-year-old Edgar the sights and sound of the busthing city, its narrow streets and stone buildings contrasting ginia, would have been exciting enough, but they were fol-lowed by an even greater adventure: a coach teip to Scotland to visit the Allan telscottand to visit the Atlan tel-ntives. They travelled up the west Guest and crossed the Scottish border north of Car-liste, making their way through inland from the Firth of Clyde. It may have been memories of the English Lakeland or the Scottish zleus through which they passed that prompted Poe to write, many years later, a poem called "The Lake":

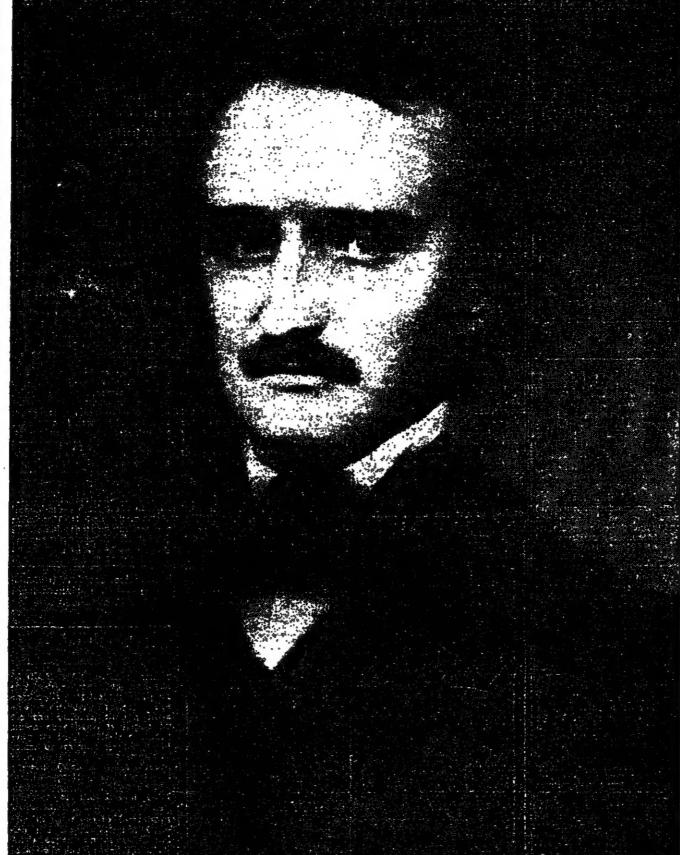
In the spring of youth it was my lot
To haunt of the wide world a The which I could not love the

So lovely was the loneliness Of a wild loke, with black rock

And the tall pines that towered

Kilmarnock to see more rel- gave it to a character in The aires. The good-hearted Scots Murders in the Rue Morgue. lost brother with a show of traditional hospitality, for raditional hospitality, for it came to Edgar's schooling.
Frances Allan was, in her austhand's words, "so bewildered known at the time, did not sleep with wonder" that she could in a dormitory at the Dubourg's advanced and the damp armo- were a little more than £35 u sphere did not agree with the year.

Virginians. When they arrived
In London on October 10, after was old enough to be sent to a what must have been 'n proper English public school, ardious and uncomfortable the Manor House at Stoke journey via Glasgow, Edinburgh. Newcastle and Sheffield, Frances was obliged to John Bransby, a gentleman and retire to bed with a bad cold scholar in the best traditions of and streethers.



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The morning's awakening, the nightly summons to bed; the connection as both willing more than a such thing. The school took in paymond, with its playground, with its playground, with its boy and a good scholar. for Allan's work since there was no room to set up an office, and expensive at six guiness a week. Indeed, the high price of everything in Wilson:-England at that time dismayed and alarmed the visitors, and Frances kept a sharp eye on the budget.

The Napoleonic wars had ended in the summer of 1815, but it had cost the British but it had cost the British dearly: by 1816 the annual interest payments on the National Debt amounted more than 130m, and the Tory government led by the Earl of Liverpool pushed taxation up to a crippling level. Tea, sugar, tobacco, beer, soap, candles, paper—the excise man, it scened, could not keep his hands off saything. Prices soared: bread cost a shilling a loaf, an enormous sum for those days. In short, it was the worst possible time to set up a new business. Allan wrote: "If I get through the year I hope I shall not see such another."

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Edgar, however, was too busy to be unhappy. He had been enrolled in a boarding school at After a few days in Irvine 146 Sloane Street, Chelsea, run-staying with John Allan's sis- by two sisters named Dubourg iers, the visitors moved east to a name Poe recalled when he must have received their long Difficult as things were, John Allan spared no expense when nur being herself to write school, but had the luxury of mue. By this time, though, a separate bed at an extra the northern autumn was far guinea a term. The school bills

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With how deep a spiril of wonder and perplexity was I wont to regard him tront our remote pew in the gallery, as, with step solemn and slow, he ascended the pulpit! This reverend man, with countenance so demurely benign, with robes so glossy and so clerically, flowing, with wig sominately powdered, so rigid and so vast—could this be he who, of late, with sour visage, and in snuffy habiliments, administered, ferule in hand, the Draconian laws of the academy?

Bransby, questioned long with how deep a spirit of wonder

worst possible time to set up a who, by the time he left the new business. Allan wrote: "If school, could speak french, had I get through the year I hope I a working knowledge of Latin, shall not see such another." and "was far better acquainted with history and literature than was hope of a more advanced many boys of a more advanced age who bud had greater advantages than he had had ".

But it is Poe himself who gives us the clearest picture of his schooldays in England, even though it is somewhat distorted through embellishment necessary to the substrace of the story. William Wilson is a classic study of the doppelginger, the chostly "double" which can haunt the troubled mind: in this case the "double" is the permailication of Wilson's conscience, which first manifests itself at

... A large, rambitus, Elizaberhan house, in a misty-looking village of Eogland, where were a vast number of gigantic and gnaried trees, and where all the houses were excessively ancient. In truth, it was a dream-like and spirit. were excessively ancient. In truth, it was a dream-like and spirit-soothing place, that venerable old pwm. At this moment, in fancy, I feel the refreshing chilliness of its deeply stadowed avenues, inhale the fragrame of its thousand strubberies, and thrill anew with undefinable delight, at the deep hollow note of the church-beil,

house, which stood acress the road, and the building inhabited by Mr Bransby's boys was rather plain, if not ugly. Gothic intricacies ascribed to it by Pue in his tale were necessary to his creation of an air of menace. His description of the classroom and the life of the school, however, is likely to be

The school-room was the largest in the house—I could not help thinking, in the world. It was very long, narrow and dismally low, with pointed Cothic windows and a celling of oak. It a remote and terror-inspring angle was a square enclosure of eight or ten feet, comprising the sanction. "during hours", of our principal, the Reverend Dr. Bransby. It was a solid structure, with massy door, sourer than open principal, the Reverend Dr. Bransby. It was a solid structure, with massy door, sooner than open which in the absence of the "Dominie", we would all have willingly perished by the peine forte of dure. In other angles were two other similar boxes, far less reverenced, Indeed, but still greatly matters of awe. One of these was the pulpit of the "classical" usher, one of the "English and mathematical". Interspersed about the room, crossing and recrossing in endless irregularity, were immunerable benches and decks, black, accient, and time-worn, piled desperately with much-bethumbed books, and so beseamed with imital letters, names at full length, grotesque figures, and other multiplied efforts of the knife, as to have lost what little of original form might have been their portion in days long departed. A huge bucket with water stood at one extremity of the room, and a clock of supendous dimensions at the other. The grounds were extensive, and a high and solid brick wall, topped with a bed of mortar and broken glass, encompassed the whole. This prison-like rampart furmed the limit of our domain; beyond it we saw but thrice a week—once every Saturday afternoon, when, attended by two ushers, we were permitted to take brief walks in a body through some of the neighbouring fields—and twice during Sunday, when

The morning's awakening, the nightly summons to bed; the connings, the recitations; the periodical half-holdsys, the perambulailons; the playground, with its
broils, its pastimes, its littrigues—
these, by a mental succely
jong forgotten, were made to involve a wilderness of sensation,
a world of rich incident, a
universe of varied emotion, of
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and spirit stirring.

What was provided in terms of actual education and care can be seen from the following quarterly bill:

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Board & Education Washing Single Bed Allowance Pew & Chary Sermon Books, Stationery,

Sundries Please to pay to Messrs Sikes Snaith & Co

Mansion House St £33 2 11 The apothecary's account the world." He had no choice apparently concerned an injury but to wind up the English to Edgar's hand, for attached and of the business and go to Edgar's gand, for attached end of the passings and gut to Bransby's account was one home, though that in itself was from Thot. Smith & Son of no easy task. The company was Stoke Newington for Mas. Allen (sić) at Mr Bransby heavily in debt, and on the Allen (sić) at Mr Bransby personal level Mrs Allen had bress—Hand on August 31, the greatest averagence to the Allen (sic) at Mr Bransby
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-sew a return to financial crisis, and the government's decision to adhere to the gold standard effectively lowered the purchasing power of money. John Alkan was within a whisker of backruptcy by the

end of the year; he wrote to his parmer, Charles Billis: "Please to bear in mind that I bress—Hand on August 31, the greatest aversion to the 1818, and "Comment & Lint" sea and nothing but dare necesson September 16. Also interest sky," could entice her aboarding is the shoemaker's bill, ship, it was not until the end which seems to show that of May 1820 that Affan feet—he had his shoes mended the he company's debts and on August 26 and again on both September 21 and 25.

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before Wednesday, next the 14th inst. . Mrs Allan is in better Heelth than usual Ann learner Health than usual Ann [Nancy] is quite well so is Edgar. I for myself was never beene." The prospect of returning home had done wonders for them all, end it must have been with great relief that they watched the English coast fading away into the distance behind their ship. Edgar, who loved sea travel and would taser of neo describe it in his stories, was probably in a state of high excitement over the voyage, and there is no evidence that he had any regrets at heaving England. Certainly his writings betray no particular love or regard for the mother country, though they were influenced by the thoroughness and discipline of the mother country, though they were influenced by the thoroughness and discipline of the mother country. thoroughness and discipline of the English education, albeit-brief, and the more subtle effects wrought by life in a part of the world so very different in experience, tradition, and the subtle subt eppearance and armsphere from the America an which he was no spend the rest of his

It remains a matter for conecture whether the stay in England contributed to Pors later restlessness in Americahis failure to settle down at university, for instance, and his lifelong impatience with a society which, it is fair to say, was, less cultured and in some respects less civilized than the England of the early nine teenth century. Edgar was never very impressed by the democracy on which his fellows countrymen . so prided themselves. He compared it to mob-rule and wrote that "They started with the queerest ides; that all men are born free and equal.". It may well be that he began to form such attitudes while enjoying the advantages of the class-ridden society of

This article is adapted from Edgar Allan Poe, by David Sin S. clair to be published by Barta next Thursday at £6.95. It will be reviewed that day on the Rook Page by Sir William Haley.



Above: Frances Allan, Poe's adoptive mother Below: John Allan



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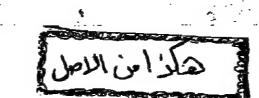
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hul point ahead of the next ompetators, Sex, of Hungary, and Gipskis, of the USSR. It is now 26 years since the ben 27-year-old Brouse o drew match with the world cham-ion Borrimik. Now, at the age f 53, Bronstein displays an un-immissized lust for bettle. To by mind he, along with Tal, is ne of the two automatic chess eniuses of our time and, if ou can manage to form a circle of of two people (and in fact here are some people in the ness world who can form a full rcle by themselves), then bese two constitute the oposite of a vicious circle.

Bronstein is the Peter Pan of ovict and world chess. Re-tarkably, he would seem to ear a charmed life in the baleul labyrint. of committees hrough which the Soviet chess-layer must thread his way. Per-aps the members of the KGB elieve in fairies. Bronstein's three characterizing remarks.
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Harry Golombek

ish the bureaucrats who rule he USSR. It might be asked in that way is Bronstein a chess senius and what in any case is reant by the term. I am empted to reply " just look at is games" but that is merely uting off the cyll moment then I have to define my terms. could also say that he has il the quirks and oddities with the general public associate great artists in any field, at this is confusing effect with suse and the habit of spendig half an hour deep in lought, or what passes for lought, is not necessarily conned to the great player. On he whole I have known more ccentric weak players than rong ones. rong ones. With Bronstein much of his

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All this, with its strengths

Dr Leonti Planskoy

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book.

This shows you the particular strengths, and indeed, weaknesses, to be found in Bronstein. He asks what it is that attracts chess-players to the games and Says: "Of course, it is not craitsmanship in the enigame: it is far more interesting to solve studies and problems. It is not the study of openings: for those who wish to memorize things, there are marvellous lines of verse or even logarithm tables. Which ever is to one's taste."

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TV CHOICE

Solo pur BBC 1 When you consider what is coming later, you could do worse than spend even 10 minutes with Messrs Tom and Jerry, who delight all of the children in my house (paracularly

me).
5.30 pm ITV And, just after, Man from Atlantis is the ideal pre-bed offering for the under-eights.
8 pm BBC 2 Altogether much more serious, however, is the main event of this evening: Macbeth for two end a half hours. The BBC, in league with three international TV networks, has obviously well-spent a great deal of money on this latest production of Verdi's opera. Can also be listened to on Radio 3.
8.20 pm BBC 1 if on the other hand you cannot give yourself to Culture for that time, The Two Romies certainly offer the complete alternative.

complete alternative..., 10 pm ITV and allow you to switch to Don't Knock the Rock, a splendid Granada dollop of nostalgia for 37-year-olds. Comorrow

12 noon ITV General Alexander Haig explains on Weekend World why Nato could invest in the "ultimate capitalist weapon", the neutron bomb which can destroy millions of people without

harming buildings.

1.30 pm ITV Regrettably in London only, and during lunch, The London Weekend Show, ostensibly aimed at menagers, but with a wider appeal, finds out what it is like to be rich—and young.

8.10 pm BBC 1 The pity of Waste is that it takes the showing of something like the Silver Jubilee Royal Variety Gala (7.15-10.30 pm ITV) to prompt BBC into making its Play for the Month just that. Waste is a lovely, lovely play with clever words and superboasting borne out by distinguished performances. How difficult to believe it purmays an earlier Coalition and another scandal.

10.30 pm ITV Again in London only, and still regrenably, London Weekend Television winds up its two and a bit days of programming with the London Programme, with an exclusive investigative, hard-hitting report on the lucrative business of the avoidance—a world in which the moderate outlay of 23m can save your company £18m (a year).

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9.90 am, Our Show. 12.20 pm, Weekend. 12.30, Loudon. 5.15, Cartoot. 5.30, London. 11.30, Southern News. 11.35, Quincy. 12.30 am, Weather. Epilogue.

Don't Knock the Rock, with Little Richard, Jerry Lee Lewis, Gene Vincent.

SATURDAY TV

BBC 1 9.15 am, Bagpuss. 9.30, Multi-Coloured Swap Shop. 12.15 pm. Grandstand. 12.20.3, Football Focus. 12.50, 1.25, 1.55, 2.25.2 Racing from Chepatow. 1.10, 2.10, 4.00.* Smooker. Super Crystalate United Kingdom Professional Championships. 1.40* Squash Rackets. PIA World Series. 2.40, 4.20.* RAC Ballycrose Championship. 3.35.* Rugby. John Player Trophy. 4.40, Final Score. 5.10, Tom and Jerry. 5.20 News. 5.20 News. 5.35 Basil Brush.

6.05 Dr Who.
6.30 Bruce Forsyth and the Generation Came.
7.25 The Duchess of Duke Street. \$.20 The Two Rousies. 9.05 Starsky and Hutch. 9.55 News. 16.65 Match of the Day. 11.65 Michael Parkinson. 12.05 am, Weather.

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BBC WALES: 8.50-8.15 am. Skadevela.
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Northern Research Northern Research News.

BBC 2 3.05 pm, Film: The Mouse on the Moon, with Margaret Rutherford. 4.25, Play Away. 4.55, Horizon, Icarus's Children, 5.45, Open Door, Unemployed Young West Indians from Bradford present Black Sight and Sound in Concert with Nazareth (Simul-taneous with Radio 1 6.00

7.30 News. 7.45 The Gun. Macbeth, opera by Verdi, with Norman Bailey, Patri-cia Johnson, Nicolai Ghaurov (Simultaneous with Radio 3 stereo). 10.30

Network. From BBC South West; Angel of Spence Ray; the story of a nurse in the Arctic. 11.00 News. 11.05-1.05 am, Film: The Fortune Cookle, with Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau.

Westward

9.00 am, ATV. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Popeys. 5.30, London, 12.15 am, At the End of the Dar.

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THE WEEK'S FILMS

• With the invaluable Screen International being rested for a formight, it's not a good week for films on BBC. The only unqualified recommendation is The Fortune Cookie (tonight, BBC2, 11.05), Billy Wilder's savagely funny 1966 comedy whose British title, Meet Whiplash Willie, cannot have done much for its commercial prospects. Walter Matthau is a shabby lawyer who sees a fortune at faking a damages claim by brother-in-law Jack Lemmon, a sports cameraman injured by a flying half back. They make a lovely doube act; and there's a brief last glimpse of the German character actor Sig Ruman, then eighty-ish but still religing in comedy.

of the German character score sig kuman, then eighty-is to determine the ding in comedy.

This afternoon you might prefer to miss Mouse on the Moon (BBC2, 3.05), a dim follow-up of The Mouse That Roared, even though directed by Richard Lester. Tomorrow's Film of the Book (BBC, 1.55) at least has nostalgia on its side: Mervyn LeRoy's version of James Hilton's Random Harvest was a major hit of 1942, a stops-out weepie with the elegant Ronald Colman as an ammesiac and Greer Garson loving and suffering. Tomorrow's other literary adaptation, Justine (BBC2, 10 pm). George Cukor's miguided treatment of Durrell's Alexandrian Quartet, has neither tears nor laughter in its favour, though it has Michael York, Dirk Bogarde, Anouk Aimée and Anna Karina in the cast. The best thing to do with Andrew Stone's remake of The Great Waltz (BBC2, Thursday, 9 pm) is to close your eyes and listen to the music. Friday's formusa thriller, Assignment k (BBC1, 10.46), alas, doesn't even have Strauss; and The Scarlet Claw (BBC1, 7.15), a 1944 film from the Basil Rathbone-Nigel Bruce Sherlock Holmes series, looks a better bet for Friday viewing.

David Robinson

9.00 am, Playboard. 9.15. Sunday
Gang. 9.40, Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan. 10.10, Parosi. 10.25, Trade
Union Studies. 10.50, Kontakre.
11.15, Tele-France. 11.40, On the
Move. 11.50, Your Move. 12.15 pm,
Sunday Worship from William
Temple Church, Wythenshawe.
1.00, Farming. 1.25, Dressmaker.
1.50, News Headdines. 1.55, Film of
the Book: Random Harvest, by
James Hilton, with Ronskl Colman, Greer Garson.*
3.55, Bugs Bunny. 4.05, The High
Chaparval. 4.55, Royal Heritage:
Victoria and Albert.
5.25 News.
6.05 The Children of the New
Forest.
6.36 Appeal; Children in Need of
Help.
6.40 Songs of Praise from Aberdeen.
7.15 Poldark.
8.10 Play: Waste, by
Grauville Barker.
10.20 Everyman. Spirit of the
Sioux.
10.55 Film 77.

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11.25 Behind the Scenes.
11.50 Weather.

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10.00 am, Open University, Royal Institute of Chemistry Centenary, 10.30, Pollution and Drosophila Experiments. 10.55-11.20, The First Year of Life. 3.15 pm, Money Programme. Brave New Steel. 3.50, Arena: Cinema. Political themes in London Festival. 4.20, Book Programme. 4.50, Rughy, Scotland B. Ireland B. 5.50, The Long Search: A Question of Balance. 6.40 News Review. 7.15 The World About Us. The Life and Death of an Oak. Film.

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5.00 News.

8.10 Benoni and Rosa, serial based on the novels by Knut Hamsum, part 1.

9.00 The Lively Arts. Three Loud Amens with Aberavon Male Choir, Cwmbach Male Choir, Trelawnyd Male Voice Choir.

10.00-11.50 Film: Justine, with Anouk Aimee, Dirk Bogarde, Robert Forster, Amia Karima, Philippe Nofret, Michael York.

9.15 am, Being a Child. 9.40, Skil-ful Soccer. 10.05, Last of the Wild. 19.30, Sessene Sweet. 11.30, Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea. 12.30 pm, London. 5.15, Carttom. 5.30, New Paces. 6.30, Man From Atlantis. 7.30, The Rag Trade. 8.00. Film: Sundey Baker in The HTV 8.00, Film: Stanley Baker in The Last Grenade, 9.45, News. 10.00, The Masterspy. 10.45, Don't Knock the Rock. 11.45, Russell Herty. 12.45-1.15 am, Police Surgeon.

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SUNDAY TV London Weekend

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9.30 am, Farming (r). 10.00, Morning Worship from Bristol Road
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(r). 11.25, Captain Nemo. 11.30,
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2.00, Star Soccer. 3.00, Film: High
Society, with Bing Croeby. Frank
Sinatra, Grace Kelly. 4.55, Wind in
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Home in the Spring, with Jackie
Cooper, Eleanor Parker.

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9.40 mm, The Bezzies, 10.00, ATV.
11.25, Cartoon, 11.38, Mr Magoo.
12.00, ATV. 1.00 pm, Cartoon,
11.15, Space 1999, 2.10, Kick Off
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19.15, Kodiak, 3.45, The
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Scottish 9.40 am. Friends of Man. 10.00, Friends the Cat. 10.10, Tarzan (f). 11.00, Healthy Esting, 11.30, ATV. 12.00, London, 1.30 pm, Farming, 2.00, Electric Theatre Show, 2.30, Olen Michael Cavalcade, 3.15, Upstairs, Downstairs (f). 4.15, Scottsport, 5.15, London, 6.48, Appeal: Scottish Marriage Guidence Council, 6.50, London, 10.30, Film; The Summer of 48, with Jenuity O'Nell. Cary Grimes, 12.35 am, Late

Ulster 11.00 am, London. 11.36, Skiffel Social, 12.00 ATV. 1.00 pm, Dut of Town. 1.30, Garnott Way. 2.00, London. 3.00, Film; The Family Nobody Wasled with James Olson. Shirly Jones. 4.15, Southern. 5.15, London. 6.45, Apost: Marriage Guidance Couscil. 6.50, London. 10.35-11.55, Columbia.

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DAVID WADE

Failure is out

Listening to Professor Thomas Szasz, who gave the sixth and last talk in the series The State of Depth Psychology, is a little like having a cold shower: not so much because it is stimulat-ing and sers the intellectual skin a-tingling, as that what he says always seems so totally, not to say implacably, opposed to all the more familiar and comfortable habits of mind. "I insist," he declares, "that schizophrenia is no more a journey through madness than it is a disease of the braid"; and again "... I submit that the obligation to transform oneself from infant into child, adolescent and adult, into whatever we think we ought to be, and the failure to meet this obligation, all this finds no place in the theories of either place in the theories of either psychlatry or anti-psychiatry." The problem is not mental illness, but "misbehaviour", and Professor Szasz preceeds his submission with a metaphor: the image of "simply being able the make of "simply being able to endure life with decency and dignity" does not fit into the models of psychiatry or of those who oppose it; it is more like a "sculptor carving a statue out of stone". If the sculptor cannot do it, that is not because he has been attacked (as in the disease theory of mental ill-ness) nor subverted (as in the

notion of destruction by femily) "but because he has failed to transform the stone into a statue". The italics are mine, but I think they indicate where the emphases are to be put.

The idea of failure, and personal failure at that, failure with responsibility, is rather out of fashion: much less dis-quieting to reflect that your position—flat out on the floor is the outcome of your genes, or your mother's too-strangling embrace, or your father's godlike and unreasonable demands, or some refined malfunction of your physiology, or the general malevolence of a competitive society. Indeed, all these things may in some measure influence your dreadful situation, but to plead their complete respons-ibility and none of yours... Put it another way: even if you are a victim to some very high are a victim to some very high degree, to insist on pleading victimization is actively to contribute to the enemy. I'd like to suggest that one of the things wrong with the world of 1977 is that about 99 per cent of us seem to believe that we are the victims of something or other. Universal paranoia is the rule, and in as far as Professor Szasz draws attention to fessor Szasz draws attention to that, he may be performing a service. But when he extends the bracket of failure to cover schizophrenia and other forms of what he will not call mental iliness, that may be something else again. He seems a very absolute man: does he regard the mis-

occupy the mental hospitals as being failures? The assumption is that failure is within one's being failures? The assumption is that failure is within one's power to remedy. But is it now? Can the long-stay patient get hold of his own bootstraps? Does Dr Szasz modify his assections at all in the light of recent research which is apparently beginning to uncover a pattern of cerebral malfunction associated with schizophrenia? This would put the condition back into the class of illnesses. Does he does anyone know enough to be as categorical as he sounds? One possibility exists: that he may be one of those out-of-the-ordinary men who will act a role (of absolutist, or whatever) in order to make a point that badly needs making and in the full realization that he will be misunderstood. Or does he believe in stood. Or does he believe in what he says? Is he expressing a kind of stoical philosophy which is, in some regard, his total self? He does not say, but that reference to enduring life with deceases we displied life with decency and dignity rather suggests the second of

I suppose no one at all would I suppose no one at all would deny that the madness of the senile is a disease of the brain—chough disease suggests microbial origins and the possibility of cure. "Disease" here equals "wearing out", and for geriatrics the only cure is the most final one. Brenda Kidman's Where's the Key, which has just had its second broadcast, consisted of recordings made during her mother's de-

cline into senility and artempted to convey the conditions of the last months of the old lady's life, which her daughter spent pretty well imprisoned with her in a small house near Newark.

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My colleagues were all more or less harrowed by this programme first time round, and it certainly did present some of the most agonizing sequences. I have ever listened to, especially that awful infantile wrangle about chickens which ended with both women in tears. Perhaps the worst moment, however, was the mother's sudden cry "Oh God, I don't know what to do ", for it seemed to express both a

mother's sudden cry "Oh God, I don't know what to do", for it seemed to express both a realization of confusion and dismay, coupled with despair.

There are always questions about the ethics of programmes such as this. Are we being offered, and are we grasping, opportunities to include a taste for voyeurism? Perhaps: but there are at least two forms of voyeurism and one of them, the one in question here, has very little to do with the salactions, more with "There but for the grace of God . " We may not face the kind of difficulties so painfully set out in Where's the Rey? but that is always a matter of the merest accident. Or, to be precise, of an accident that has not yet taken place, but may do so at any moment. That is surely an inescapable fact, yet it seems to take a kind of emotional sledgehammer—which is what. Ms idman's programme was—to bring it home.



Tack Lemmon as Harry Hinkle in "The Fortune Cookie " tonight (BBC2, 11.5

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RADIO

1 8.00 am, News. Tom Edwards 1 8.03. Racing bulletin. 8.06. Ed Stewart 1 10.00, Kid Jensen. 12.00. Paul Gambaccini. 1.31 pm, Raci. On. † 2.30. Alan Freeman. † 5.31. Rock and Roll. † 6.30, Sight and Sound in Concert. Nazareth. † 7.30. Top Tunes. † 8.15. Acker's Alf Our. † 8.45. BBC Radio Orchestra. † 10.02. Sports Desk. 10.10. Wally Whyton. † 11.02. Ray Moore. † 12.31-12.33 am. Kews. † Stereo

6.00 am, Radio 1. 10.02, Teddy Johnson. 12.02 pm, Two's Best. 1.02, Albert and Me. 1.34-5.35, Sport, including Football, Rading at Sandown; Cricket, England Touring Toam in Pakistan; S.00, Sports Report 6.03, Europe 77; UK. 7.02, Roy Castle. 7.30-12.38 am, Radio 1.

7.55 am, Weather. 7.55, Plaquette, Chebrier, Scint-Saëns, Plaquette, Chebrier, Scint-Saëns, P.Cs., Record Review.† 10.15. Særes Release: Handel, Verdi † 11.25, Schubert Songs, Polish Songs, 12.02 pm, John Amis.†

12.02 pm., John Ams.;

12.55 pm., News. 1.00, Schubert and Berg.; 2.00, Man of Action, Sir Arthur Knight.; 3.35, Tchait. ovsky, Valverde, Granados, Royel.; 5.00, Jazz Record Requests.; 5.45, Critics' Forum. 6.35, Beethoven 5 conducted by Bernstein.; 7.10, Plainsong and the Rise of European Music.; 8.08, Macbeth, opera by Verdi.; 10.30, Plano recital: Chopin.; 10.45, Sounds Interesting.; 11.25-11.35, News.

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630 am, News, 6.32, Farming, 6.58, Yours Faithfully, 6.55, Weather, 7.00, News, 7.10, On Your Farm, 7.40, Today's Papers, 7.45, Yours Faithfully, 7.50, 11's a Bargahi, 7.55, Weather, 8.00, News, 8.36, Sport on 4, 8.45, Today's Papers, 8.50, Yesterday in Partiament, 9.00, News, 9.10, Pick of the Week, 10.00, News, 10.02, From Our Our Correspondent, 10.30, Service, 10.45, Between the Lines, 11.66, News, 11.02, The Week in Westminster, 11.30, Science Now, 12.50, News, 12.02 pm, John Amis, 12.53, Weather.

Weather.
1.00, News. 1.15, Any Questions?
2.00, Royal Variety. 1970. 2.31,
Play: Red Wine. 3.00, News. 3.65,
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1 6.30 am, News; Sam Costa.; 8.94; Playground. 8.32, Ed Stewart.; 10.00, Peter Powell. 1.00 pm, Jenny Savile. 3.00, Anna Nightingale. 5.10, Edvis Presley Stocy. 6.00, Tom Browne.; 7.02, Albert and Me. 7.30, Glamorous Nights.; 8.30, Snoday Half-hour.; 9.62, Best Tunes.; 10.02, Sports Desk. 10.05, Softly Sentimental.; 11.02, Jazz.; 12.31-12.33 am, News.; † Stareo.

2 6.38 am, Radio 1. 6.33, Sam On Sunday: Sam Costa; 1.88, Cospel Coocert.; 8.32, Radio 1. 10.02, David Jacobs.; 11.38, People's Service. 12.02 pm, Family Favourites.; 2.02, The Eric More-cambe and Ernie Wise Show. 2.30, The Songwriters, Oscar Ham-merstein. 3.30, Alan Dell. 4.82, Charlie Chester.; 6.30, Radio 1. 7.02, Brain of Sport. 7.30-12.33 am, Radio 1.

7.55 am, Weather, 8.00, News. 3.05, Mozart and the Vrobs Sonata. 9.00, News. 9.05, Your Concert Choice: Haydn, Beethoven, Schuhert, Blades, Brittan, 10.30, Music Weekly, † 11.28, The Bayreuth Ring: Die Walkers, Act 1.† 12.30 pm, Words. 1.05, Alismir Cooke's Issa 20s. 1.35, Die Walkure, Act 2.† 3.10, Talking About Music.† 3.40, Die Walkure, Act 3.† 4.55, Elifabe-than Years, Robert Layrow on the LP explosion.† 6.05, Sophie Wyss Remembers. 6.25, Journal de Mas Melodies.†

7.55, Recollections of Herbert Read. 9.00, BBC Symphony Orchestra, in Paris, part 1: Liged, Lumsdame.† 9.50. Pierre Boulez in conversation, 10.10, Concert, part 2: Boulez, Nono. 11.05. The Scrope Davies Find, manuscript by Shelley and Byron. 11.25-11.30, News.

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7.10 am, Apna Hi, ghar Samaihiye
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Sunday Papers, 7.55, Weather.
8.00, News. 8.10, Sunday, 8.45,
Appeal: Children in Need of Help,
8.50, Sunday Papers, 8.55,
Weather. 9.00, News. 9.10, International Assignment, 9.30, Service.
10.15, Miscellany, 11.00, Local
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Not Now, I'm Listening, 12.40 pm.
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1.00. News. 1.40. James Galwey.

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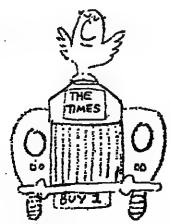
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The most useful, if not exactly the most noble, school of mod-ern philosophy was founded at Birkbeck College in 1931 when C. Joad, the well-known tennis player and occasional professor, was parmering Stephen Potter in a doubles march against a pair of extremely fit and athletic undergraduates.

Overmatched, potentially out-played and 40 love down in the day by volleying his return into the stop-neuring and then, at precisely the right psychological moment, saying, "Kindly say clearly, please, whether the ball was in or out."

ball was in or out."

A crude ploy by our own more sophisticated standards but it worked. The undergraduates were so flustered by this faintest of suggestions that their sportsmanship was in question that eventually they lost the match and so kindled in Mr Potter the idea of Gamesmanship, or The Art of Winning Games Without Actually Cheating. How daring, how risque indeed, it must have seemed when the concept was first expounded in hard was first expounded in hard covers in 1947.

And how marvellously, nos-talgically innocent it seems now in this age of the profes-sional foul when on every sports ground from village

pitch to Wembley, Twickenham or Lords the players regularly practise a modern variation on Mr Potter's theme—Foulman-ship, or The Art of Cheating at Games Without Actually Being

Sent Off.
Gamesmanship could never have been invented today because и depends essentially on the good manners and basic on the goal manners and pasic, sporting spirit of the victim, commodities in such short sup-ply that had the famous tennis march been played in 1977 the march been played in 1977 the undergraduates would have answered Professor Joad with a surly, "Of course it was out, you daft old git. Get yourself some glasses," and ruthlessly proceeded to blast their opponents off the court.

How fortunate then that Mr. Porter green to in gentler.

How fortunate then that Mr
Potter grew up in gentler
times, for had he not invented
Gamesmanship he could not
have developed their offshoots,
Oue-Upmanship and Lifemanship, those towakusble guides to
keeping one's contemporaries,
rivals, loved ones and opponents
perpetually on the wrong foot perpetually on the wrong foot. One-Upmanship, in many ways the major and most far-reaching work of the three, is steeller than Gamesmanship

and depends much less on exploiting the other fellow's in-trinsic good nature, Indeed, trinsic good nature. Indeed, satisfying elements of revenge and malice enter strongly into it (c.f. the chapter on Christmas Giftmanship and the intense pleasure to be derived from giving a keen golfer a set of golf mattens embroidered with knitted nosegays).

No doubt if Mr Potter were able to update his work now he would take into account the fact that most people cheat anyway and adapt accordingly. Nevertheless, in this timely paperback edition of the ori-

supernatural if it is solidly Victorian and the ghosts are

explicit. Mrs Riddeli was



Gamesmanship as seen by Nicolas Bentley.

ginals there is still much for the keen student to learn from in the words of that other plays and gambles of such great men as Odoreida, Frith-Morteroy and Gattling-Fenn, men whose philosophy, like that of Mr Potter himself,

David Reed may rationally engage our sympathy and intelligence when he discusses the pros and cons of Laingian treatment, when he describes his decision to withdraw Anna

Spells of

madness

sense of responsibility for her death. But it is impossible to read the whole awful story of her attempt to live through her madness, the morderous attack upon her own child, her death by fire, without occasionally shuddering at her hus-band's naivete, his unreason-able determination to make sense of all her symptoms, his peculiar readiness to embrace

the role of tragic commentator. And in Sutherland's story, this feeling of frame-slipping, this sense of irrationalism nibbling away at the edge of the analysis is even more marked. He may attempt to evoid any self-pity, any overconcentration upon self-con-sciousness; he may, as becomes a Professor of Experimental a Professor of Experimental Psychology, my to impose tem-poral order upon his experiences, measure their in-tensity, and compare the dif-ferent treatments he received. But eventually, this mononsense categorizing stands out not as an objective vantage point somewhere beyond the actual breakdown, but as part of its very scaffolding.

At such moments you can

find your sympathies leaving the author, who has an assthetic unreadiness to allow himself just the type of sensitiperate striving for some degree of objectivity about their experiences and our gradual realization of their failure. Although David Reed sets down detailed extracts from his diary, and Stuart Sutherland gives dates and times as mough he were compiling a medical case study, it is frighteningly apparent after a few chapters that the pictures of madness they are sketching will simply not stay within their frames.

David Reed may rationally their perspective endeavours. Nothing could more effectively convey the

endeavours. Nothing could more effectively convey the meaning of medness, its insidious reasonableness, and the consequent possibility of our own engulfment, than the in-ability of such courageous witfrom hospital rather than nesses to extricate themselves allowing her to have ECT fully from its spell. treatment, and when he tries to cope with his subsequent

Laurie Taylor

FICTION-

The distaff spirit

The Collected Ghost Stories of Mrs J. H. Riddell (Dover/Constable, £3.60)

Deer Mrs Riddell (1832-1906)
was a professional. Seated at her writing-desk in a flowing back velver gown, a cup half full of ink before her, she instead that faces were blanched, white as death, or of a ghasting pellor; that cries were verrible, nerves shaken, imprecations uttered, hands beaten about, gestimes menacons, numbed. Tearrifying hereful, no doubt, and sweng a professional, she picked up one of the "heif-dozen feether pens" that—we gather—"lay diagonally across a sancer" and summoned "a child with the saddest mortal face ever beheld", "a woman with white be saddest mortal face ever beheld", "a woman with white be held", "a woman with white dissevelled har, clad in mean garments, ragged and dirty", and "a man who had lived hard and wckedity, who had wasted has substance and his health."

Her spiritz, you perceive, were excellent. Nearly for gotten now, but described office than in mebodrams. She

his health."

Her spirits, you perceive, "the novellist of the City", she were excellent. Nearly forgotten now, but described office than in metodrama. She rather alarmingly by her American editor, E. F. Bleiber, young clerks get £20 a year; as "the best distaff writer of in which a country mailcart phost stories", her collection picks up letters from the great is firmly for collectors: those who, like Montague Summers, London has its pea-soup fogs, can eccept practically anything

Are these

emotions?

George Beneath a Paper Moon By Nina Bawden

I am told (I wouldn't know)

Quick guide

One of the intentions of the

£5,000 Fooker prize for fiction is to encourage the sales of the

winning novel. But this year

Staying On, the novel that brought Paul Scott the prize,

previous novels, now known collectively as the Raj Quartet.
These are available in omnibus

A Word Child

By Angela Huth

(Penguin, 70p)
Scars on the Soul
By Françoise Sagan
(Penguin, 65p)

(Fontanz, 75p)

By Iris Murdoch (Triad/Panther, 95p)

civil service department, lives in a grey bed-sit with his plain and virginal sister ("We had fish fingers and chips and Lyons individual fruit pies").

The extusor also resigns really man's (his reasons are even more obscure) and re-emerges 20 years later as a rich and newsworthy international civil servant and

Important Person. He has remerried, but Burde makes short work of thes. He seduces the second wife. After some further self-consciously emotional scenes they go for a walk by the Thames and she is carried away to her death by the flood. It will be apparent that the

that male novelists are incap-able of describing a woman's with any recognizable reality thoughts. Their works are as a rococco opera. Some populated by cardboard people may feel that Iris Mur-ton trate the converse proposition. They are all written by continuo, for the silliness of thoughts. Their works are populated by cardboard women. These novels illustrate the converse proposition. They are all written by women, and they are all to a greater or lesser degree, populated by cardboard men. They therefore have much more in common than the banal fact of their simultaneous appearance in paperback. the plot. But there must be a limit, even in her case, to the subordination of substance to None of the other novels

reviewed here are as ambitious in their attempt to portray a Iris Murdoch's A Word man's emotions and all of Child is the most revealing them, for that reason among case, Its central character, one others, are more successful as

and ambitious ex-grammar Huth, the principal male school boy and the neurotic character is a mere voice off-suicidal hero of one of the stage, a busy civil servant, sillier novels of Stendhal. He obliged to spend long market sillier novels of Stendard. He obliged to spend long months climbs his way to youthful of his year abroad while his really has been reached when eminence by getting a scholarship to Oxford and, subsequently, a fellowship of his charming, hirsute, but rather of her novels like opposing college. There he seduces the mythological fellowship of his charming, hirsute, but rather mirror mirror and room. But if novelists are to nymphomaniac wife of his expenditude of his way to youthful of his year abroad while his her novels become the subject of her novels like opposing college. There he seduces the mythological forms are the seduces with him. What avoid cardboard characters and nymphomaniac wife of his extutor. After some rather self-tonsciously emotional scenes (she has become pregnant by her husband) they go out for a drive and he drives her into an drive and he drives her into an distressed eyes of the eight most familiar to them. oncoming car. She is killed. He year-old daughter. The child's survives and for some reason minute observation of telling

deep, and a newcomer to Lam-beth lake on a wet evening orders in wood and coals from the greengrocer and has them delivered.

explicit.

Mrs Riddeli was nearly always explicit, especially in old houses which she gloatingly enjoyed. One in Upper Kennington Lane, another in Venxistif Walk, a third, "old and rambling", in Gerrard Street, Soho ("not then an utterly shady and forgotten locality"), and a fourth a mansion M. R. James could have taken over, down in Meadowshire, "heart of the grazing country." Though, today, for all but collectors, she protests too much and even makes her points in incides, this ambology the greengrocer and tas them delivered.

Here too, "a lady whose income, all told, does not reach a hundred a year", peys her rent, lives, dresses, has the few hundred her health requires, is never in debt, and has always a utille to spare for others. A doctor "comes back from the diggings" with a ougget hig enough to make him rich; an Admirel shamelessly rurns his son out into the rain without a hat; servants, including hischmalling valets, multiply; and "it would be hard to find a more lonely stretch of country than the path which winds along the river from Shepperton Lock to Cherusey Bridge".

Several people in this fancountry." Thouse, all but collectors, she protest too much and even makes her points in incides, this anthology does and wich the agreeable narrative ("A Terrible Venture of the "wet foots primes" these pursus a victim to primes" these pursus a victim to his death. A real frieson here. Moreovar, at her most resulting the tiver from Shepper on Lock to Cherusey Bridge."

Several people in this fantesy-life are pleasant to know: It is a miss Gosmock who "was ducas such a passage—quoted by the editor in a dissertation one on didactic ghosts—as one on didactic ghosts—as one on didactic ghosts—as one of home-brewed draughts of home-brewed

the Honourable Beatrice "Is a countest now and a happy wife and mother".

Dear Mrs Riddell: dear distair writer. I am sure everyone would forgive her if she had indeed invented that perforated stranger, with "the firelight gleaming through the hole in the hote". hole in the body

J. C. Trewin

which is never made clear he details, her efforts to convince resigns his fellowship. He herself that all is well becomes a clerk in a dingy ("maybe Kevin was rubbing herself that all is well ("maybe Kevin was rubbing to ber back to warm her before she went back to der own bed"), all this is sensitively told with wit but without a trace of cynicism. To carry through the book that impression of unreality and incomprehension, of watching events distantly through a window is a stunning feat of imagination and empathy.

George Beneath a Paper Moon by Nina Bawden is a story told with wit larded with a heavy dose of cynicism. George is a travel agent living with his grandmother and her foul-mouthed retired schoolmistress of a companion who gulps her food noisily behind outstretched copies of the Financial Times. George is a clown, so Miss Bawden is dis-pensed from the need to show penetrating insights into his character. And indeed she does not do so. Instead she provides an afternoon of light but skilful entertainment spiced with the faintest trace of a story which is not great fiction but is occasionably superb comedy.
Françoise Sagan's Scars on
the Soul is a novel about Francoise Sagan writing a novel about two empty-headed Parisian hedonists. Chapters describing the doings of the hedonists atternate with those describing Sagan's unsuccessful efforts to breathe into them a trace of life. The ultimate point of a writer's narcissism

Jonathan Sumption

form in hardback (Heinemann, into art. The names that fill £7.50) but also individually in the pages are the authors that paperback from Panther: The Jewel in the Crown and The have crowded the Cape list for 50 years: T. E. Lawrence, H. G. Towers of Silence (50p each); The Day of the Scorpion (75p) and A Division of the Spoils (£1.50). But Staying On which is available in hardback (H-ine-mann, £3.90) will not be pub-lished in properhead until Wells, Eraest Hemingway, Arthur Ransome, Ian Fleming. The Great Victorian Collec-But here, too, are Cape and his partner Wren Howard, the pub-lishers; Edward Garnett and Daniel George, the editors, the lished in paperback until January, 1979. men who gave the firm its own character—as special, as literate and as recognizable as Faber also happens to be almost a codicil to a group of four previous novels, now known collectively as the Raj Quartet.

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Moore please

BRIAN MOORE: all Penguin: The Luck of Ginger Coffey; I Am Mary Dume; Fergus; Catholics (60p each); The Great Victorian Collection (70p).

All the covers to this Penguin edition of five of Brian Moore's novels announce: "surface of The Doctor's Wife". Perhaps this particular title will eventually be seen as a warershed in his work; perfectly illustrating the dicharant that the second of the se the dichotomy that so often exists between literary criticism and commercial success.

From The Lonely Passion of Judith Hearne, his first novel, to The Great Victorian Collection, Brian Moore established novelist tackling a variety of themes in differing milieu.

But that is not a recipe for mass commercial success. There's a conservatism abroad that breeds a reading public which demands "something different like the one I had last weak", as I overheard one horrower see to a liberties. few days ago.

Then came The Doctor's Wife (published by Cape a year ago and not yet available in paperback) and for the first time Brian Moore received mixed notices. He was accused of using notices. He was accused of using a backneyed theme: even the "romance" label was used to best him. But it sold, better than any of his previous novels. I happen to think The Doctor's Wife is an honest and riveting description of a woman breaking away from convention and believing that she is "living" for the first time in her life. Peel away the narrative—Moore's most straightforward story since Ginger Coffey—and you will find the theme that is present in all the novels of his that I've read—the pressures inherent in life today.

Moore is concerned with individuals who have reached

Moore is concerned with individuals who have reached crossroads: the title character in Ginger Coffey Is an Irish salesman in Canada under threat of returning home as a failure; Mary Dunne the thrice married New Yorker worried about her present marriage; the Irish abbot, in Catholics, faced with enforcing ecumenical practices; the young Canadian academic's appalling realization, in The Great Victorian Collecin The Great Victorian Collection, that what he has dreamt has come true; and Fergus Fadden, the successful Irishborn winer bamboozled by the insecurity of the film world.

insecurity of the film world.

The Penguin collection is well chosen. If Brian Moore is still unfamiliar to you then take this quintet in chronological order beginning with Ginger Coffey. My heart bled for Moore's vainglorious hero as he is forced to take the most menial job in the local newspaper sweatshop, moonlighting as a van driver with a laundry to meet his commitments. I rooted for him all the way, surely a sign that the novelist surely a sign that the novelist had created a world and cap-tured our attention? And in Catholics one marvels at Moore's knowledge of dogma

old and new.

I Am Mary Dunne seems to me to be the weakest of the five, almost a dry run for The Doctor's Wife. I think it is the particular east coast characters who are no more interest-ing than their real-life counterparts. But Fergus, with its Californian setting has strong links with The Great Victorion Collection. In both novels dreams and hallucinations play a major role, and both show the effects on individuals of mani-pulation by big business. One wonders just how much Moore is expressing a personal frus-

tion is an idea out of H. G. Wells: astonishing Victorian artefacts—art, furniture, even a South Eastern and Chatham locomotive dreamed into existence in a motel parking lot and displayed like some Olympia exhibition. Here is Brian Moore at his best, totally in control of his invention.

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THE ARTS

Le nozze di Figaro Covent Garden

William Mann

What the conductor does in a performance of Mozart's Nozze di Figaro is always vital, but usually is not discussed in a review until the happenings on stage have been described. There are several cast-changes in the current Covent Garden revival of John Copley's production, now six years old, but chief interest centres on the Böhm, especially revered as an interpreter of Mozart, and he returned on Thursday to Covent Garden where he last conducted in 1936 as music direc-tor of the visiting Dresden State Opera (one of his operas then was Figaro), and was now making his debut with our Royal Opera which did not come into being until later.

In his eightles Böhm is still spry on his feet; on the ros-

trum his careful but unstinted application of physical energy must be a lesson to the youn-gest students of conducting, particularly his tiny but dyna-mic bear, his restrained and always significant use of the left hand and arm, and his canny knowledge of when to sit and when to raise himself for maximum effect on his players. The Royal Opera's orchestra played for him like persons possessed, the sonority nungent and closely contained, the articulation and detail a treat to hear, for example in Bartolo's "Vendetta" aria, Bartolo's "Vendetta" aria, usually remarked only for the singing (Robert Lloyd did not make very much of it, though his toothless, doddering and dogged characterization held

ettention), and in the tingling
"Cosa sento" trio.
Some of Böhm's tempi were eisurely (be is not a dawdler by nature but a conductor who knows when music needs to hresthe and be cleanly articulated) but always they made the music more appreciable, even if the singers were taxed (as the Counters, Teresa Zylis-Gara, was in "Porgl, amor" which turned glutinous on her fluent, golden soprano). The concerted vocal ensembles, a fizz, as they should end per-hens will in later performences. There were a couple of curi-ous, not obviously motivated

Bradshaw/Bennett Wigmore Hall

Joan Chissell

Piano duets no matter whether one keyboard or two, are usually more rewarding to play than to listen to. Usually, but not always. Thursday's four-handed programme from Susan Bradshaw, and Richard Rodney Bennett, was a notable exception. Though two pianes were tion. Though two pianos were involved, ensemble was close enough to have misled a blind-folded listener into thinking it all to have come from two

As for the music played, everything was in the nature of a collector's piece. Or should it be said a collector's pair of class 2 for should be less as the said as collector's pair of class 2 for said the less used. pieces? For only the last work, Percy Grainger's delightfully unpredictable fantasy on Porgy and Bess stood alone. Te begin with there was Lord Berner's 1920 Rowlandson-inspired Ports-mouth Point (originally intended for a bellet) which Bennett himself had arranged for two pianos to precede a Similar arrangement of Sir less in terms william Walton's own Siesta, our. Both are cunning, yes, though all too revealing as to why only one of these two Englishmen lives to sive advocacy.

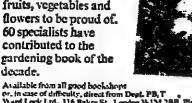
ber of the opera.

Canon, Op. 56 came next. Since arranged for two planos by Debussy, they were artfully counterbalanced in the recital antically attuning the interpreheadings, these duertists atilities cleverly emphasized every point of contrapuntal cunning in Schumann's academic exercises. In Debussy's suite they responded boldly to contrasts of mood and with great finesse to subtleties of texture.

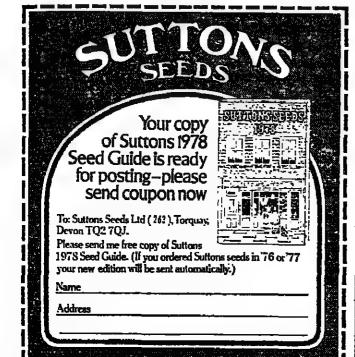
Last but not least the programme included two first performances, Richard Rodney Bennett's Kandensky Variations and Robert Saxton's Sonatas for two pianos, both completed earlier this year, the sion from this duo with funds provided by the Arts Counnett's work was directly in-spired by pictures, or rather musical connotations, of their nusical connotations, of their names. Yet despite its ostensible abstraction, the Saxton piece challenges attention no less in terms of keyboard colour. Both are made up of continuous sections. Neither work could have had more persua-

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ritenuti, the one in Almaviva's aria too late to allow Thomas Allen to articulate clearly the florid triplets which baffle most baritones in the part. Basic appoggiaturas were in short supply; the old, I think drama-tically implausible, order for the third act was used. Böhm's return to Covent Garden was, and is, an occasion for rejoic-

Operagoers who are able to travel abroad may hardly credit that Hermann Prey was singing Mozart's Figuro in the Royal Opera House for the first time; but then, the part is almost Sir Geraint's personal property at home. Prey is a serious, hottempered valer constrained by anxiety from exhibiting his exuberance : which natural moment in the garden when he recognizes his wife under her mistress's costume, and throws his hat and clock away in an excess of uninhibited joy. His

has had for years codiaeums (crotons), a scindapsus, a Ficus benjamina and African violets in a bedroom which is by no means humid nor is it kept very Italian was faulty, likewise his respect for note-values (others in the cast sinned no less).

Thomas Allen's Almaviva Thomas Allen's Almaviva, quite new to me, is moving to-wards a portraval that may fly as high as his superb Don Giovanni: at present his Count offers more in the acting than the singing, which sounded shy in projection—the interrogation of Figaro about the mysterious document was vividly communication. The plants have never been moved from the positions they occupy—two codiseums on top of the television set are extremely handsome still with leaves almost down to the bottom of the stem.

And thinking of rubber plants you may remember I mentioned some months ago, that the house plant firm of Rochfords

document was vividly communi-cated. Teresa Strates's Susanna is by no means unfamiliar but as captivating as ever, limitless in resource, much the most interesting person on stage, and a lovely singer; her voice may sound too wiry for some tastes, her fighting and middless areas. had offered to give 4p for every ficus plant they sold in July and August to the Tree Council in support of the tree planting her flashing-eyed, wildcat, amor-ous bride too emotional or too comic, but I love it, and she inspires her colleagues whencampaign. As a result a cheque ever she is on stage, as also must Agnes Baltsa's sultry, im-

petuous Cherubino. Mr Copley is still in charge of his production, and still has new ideas for it. The scene with the chair in the first act is now exquisitely manneuvred, is now exquisitely manoeuvred, likewise the resurranged contre-terupts of the Count, Cheru-bino and Figaro in the last finale (a floral tribuse instead of a kiss, for instance). But Susama's guitar "accompaniment to "Vol che sapete" needs watching, as does the behaviour of servants in the behaviour of servants in the presence of their employers, not to mention Figure's inaccu-rate measuring in the first num-

tell the quayside tale (what comparative land-lubbers those earlier roisterers are).

Schumann's Six Studies in by the Frenchman's own suite, En Blanc et Noir. While romtation to the French movement

din. At Wasterdin's sale in 1880 they were bought by Louis Roederer of Rheims and were sgain dispersed in 1923, when a large number were acquired by Dr A. S. W. Rosenbach of Philadelphia; since 1947 they have belonged to an anonymous American collector. American collector.

The remainder are now scattered in various private and public collections in America, Paris, Besançon and Berlin. It is a long time, therefore, since so many of these drawings were assembled in one place, and it is very much to be and it is very much to be boped that the major French museums will take this oppor-tunity to fill their lacunse in As the title betrays Benregonard drawings, many of which—spart from the superb series collected by the architect Pierre-Adrien Paris who bequeathed them to his native Besançou—are still in private

later next year,

Although most of the Ariosto drawings were published in an excellent volume by Elizabeth Mongan, Philip Hofer and Jean Sezuec (London, 1945), they are still remarkably little known and rank among Fragonard's most outstanding graphic

Fragonard was admirably equipped to illustrate Ariosov's reat epic poem. He had an instinctive narrative and dramatic afft which sent him straight to the core of a literary text. He also prepared illustrations for editions of Don Quixote, La Fouzine's Course and for an Fontaine's Contes and for an obscure eighteenth-century didactic novel, Mine de Genlis Les Veillees du Château, but these also were never published in book form and have never leen properly studied.

Unlike his friend and con-Unlike his friend and con-temporary artist Hubert Robert, with whom he first travelled in Italy in 1759-1760 under the patronage of the Abbé de Saint-Non, Fragonard did not have the advantage of a strong liter-ary background but, more im-portant, he possessed a superabundant imagination and creative power which enabled creative power which enabled bim to translate Ariosto's text with incredible ease. The result is wonderfully sparse and luminous drawings which have all the clarity of a poetic image.

Born in 1732 in the small Provençal town of Grasse, set amid olive groves and cypresses, ragonard shared some of the same Mediterannean tempera-ment and neritage with the Italian Renaissance poet, for whom he seems to have felt an instinctive sympathy. Both instinctive sympathy. Both utist and writer delight in clear visual imagery, in effects of light and shade playing on human forms, and in sunlight, water and dark clumps of trees. There seems little doubt that Fragonard had read Ariosto in

the original Italian, probably in or around 1760 when, in the company of Saint-Non and Hubert Robert, on the invitation of the Duke of Modena, be spent an idyllic summ sketching in the gardens of the Villa d'Este at Tivoli. It may well have been Saint-Non who introduced Fragonard

to the works of Ariosto, and it is quite possible that the orig-ical conception of these illus-trations dozes from that time, althought quite clearly the breadth and freedom of treatment in these drawings relates them to the allegorical compositions of the 1780s like the

Gardening

Leave it where it is

Thinking back over the bundreds of thousands of words I have read about house plants, I now realize how little emphasis has been placed upon the desir-ability of not moving a plant if it has found a spot in the home where it is happy. To be honest, I had not realized myself how important it is not to move plants about. In my old farm house the Westminster, London.

ight were limited and several

The subject will be "The Trees in our Gardens and How They Came". There is no charge for admission but, as accommodation is limited, applications for rickets should be rections for trackets should be rections for trackets. places where one could stand pot plants in a reasonably good spots were too draughty for all but the toughest of them. It was not until Frances Perry and I were married and I moved to Enfield that I saw be made as soon as possible to:
The Secretary, The Royal
Horticultural Society, Vincent
Square, London, and they will
be dealt with in order of
receipt. While adults may
accompany children, it must be convincing evidence that leaving plants in the same position pro-duces excellent results. My wife

accompany children, it must be remembered that the lecture is geared to appeal to young people of school age.

A most welcome book to be published next week is Plants for Ground Cover by Graham Stuart Thomas (Dent £8.95). This is a completely revised edition and it is an even more valuable work of reference than the first edition. Every aspect valuable work of reference than the first edicion. Every aspect of using plants as ground cover is dealt with and many useful the are those concerned with the courrol of weeds until the ground covering plants take over the job themselves.

The illustrations both in colour and monochrome are.

for more than £2,000 has been handed to the council.

The Royal Horticultural Society's Christmas lecture for young people interested in gardening will be given this year by Mr Alan Mitchell of the Forestry Commission on Thursday December 29 at 2.30 pm in the lecture room of the society's new hall in Greycoat Street, Westminster, London.

meaningful, not just decoration as regretfully so often happens in gardening books today, Particularly attractive are the various hostas (formerly fundamental plants through the holes in the plants through the holes in the plants through the holes in the plants for a cool shady position.

I like particularly the golden and green Hosta fortunei 'Albourder's little plants were not so pleta'. H. crispula with wavy street trees and plants growing. picta', H. crispula with wavy green leaves edged with white and the blue-green H. siebolstreet trees and plants growing against walls with their roots under paying would not thrive. Naturally when the ground cover plants have taken over dima 'Elegans' which Graham Thomas says is "the most sump-tuous of the hostas". There is the plastic cover is removed. It will be interesting to see how true this year will be the old weather saying, "ice in November to bear a duck there'll be nowt to follow but slush and muck."

This of course does not mean that might the slush and muck too an imposing picture of a large spread of Hebe (Veronica) pinguifolia 'Pagei', which to my mind is an excellent and much neglected plant in its own

right also as a ground coverer. It was much used by the late Patrick Moran in his ground there wish the slush end muck there may not be some pretty cold weather but the ancients believed presumably after years of observation that cold cover plantings on the London Transport railway embank-ments. It is impervious to nements. It is impervious to ne-glect; I had plants at Hurtmore perched up on a wall, in a stone sink and in a part of the rock garden where they hardly ever received water in a dry spell and yet they flourished. It forms a low mat of silvery fol-iage about six inches high and in the spring covers itself with white flowers. Cuttings root easily in a mix of one part sand and three parts pear. weather in November presaged a mild winter. It certainly did a mild winter. It certainly did not work out that way in 1962-63 when the weather turned cold in November and stayed that way until March.

Still forewarned is forearmed they say and I have been checking carefully the Diplex frost warning instrument. This consists of two mercury filled tubes, rather like a maximum-minimum thermometer.

minimum thermometer.

There is a small plastic reservoir which is kept filled with soft water—rain water, boiled water or water obtained when you defrost the refrigerator. There is a wick that connects with the builb of one of the thermometer tubes and keeps it wet. It is a more sophisti-cated version of the old wet bulb/dry bulb thermometers we used to determine atmospheric humidity.

Anyway, if at sunset the wet bulb mercury column is lower than in the dry bulb tube we

may expect a frost in about five hours. Of course at this time of year we may expect frosts at any time but a frost warner in April or May, or in September or October can be of inestim-

able value This instrument costs £8.10 including VAT. It should be obtainable in the shops, but in case of difficulty write to Diplex Ltd, PO Box 172, Wat-

Jobs for December Assuming that the weather is kind, we should press on with cleaning up leaves, cutting down herbaceous plants, clearing weeds from beds and borders and in the case of her-baceous beds or borders fork-ing a dressing of about four ounces of bonemest to the square yard into the top few inches of soil.

Cover any tender plants like fuchsias, newly planted camel-lias, nerine and Amaryllis bel-ladonna bulbs with a 6in layer

of peat leaves, bracken or straw. Do not, of course, cover the camellia plants—only the ground for 18in around the plants.

Have ashes, grit or salt ready in case we have snow and ice on steps or sloping paths or drives

Check all tubers or corms of potatoes, dahlias, begonias or gladioli in store every two weeks and remove any showing signs of rotting. Check apples or pears similarly. Pemember an unheated shed or garage is not frost proof, neither is

Check bulbs of tulips, daffo-dils or hyaciards growing in pots or bowls plunged outdoors and if they are far enough

Prune apple and pear trees Spray them with a suitable winter wash—a zer oil spray, choosing a dry windless day if possible

Send mowers or other machinery and tools such as shears for servicing or shears for

Buy an aerosol pack of \$600 the plastic spray to treat Christmas trees, holly and ity decorations to keep them from shedding their needles or the evergreens from shrivelling.

Roy Hay

Collecting

Fragonard's poetic images



Orlando laments the death of Bradimarte"

Fountain of Love in the Wellece Collection, which has much of the same visionary quality as the Ariosto series. The reason why the projected Edition of the Orlando Furioso never saw the light of day has not been saw the light of day has not been explained, but it may well be that Fragonard's art broke so far away from the conventional bounds of literacy illustration as to make their publication mpractical.

imprectical.

Nor would Fragonard's drawings have translated easily into the more precise art of engraving. They have too much epic sweep and grandeur to have fathed into the usual eighteenth-century pattern of book illustration in the vignettist style of Cochin, Moreau le Jeune and Eisen. They can, therefore, be appreniated out of their bibliographical context, as individual works of art equal in creative power to the text which inspired them.

It is, however, helpful to an

It is, however, helpful to an It is, however, helpful to an understanding of Fragonard's narrative talents to see the drawings in relation to the original poem, which they follow closely. Ludovico Ariosto (1474-1533) was official court poet to the Duke Alfonso d'Este at Ferrara. His greatest work, the Orlando Purioso, first appeared in 1516 and was republished in a final, revised edition in 1532. It is a Christian published in a final, revised edition in 1532. It is a Christian epic in verse along similar lines to Tasso's Gerusalemme Liberata (which was also illustrated by Fragonard in two splendid early paintings, Rinaldo in the Gardens of Armida and Rinaldo in the Enchanted Forest), and relates the heroic struggle between the powers of Christianity tween the powers of Christianity and paganism, and the conflict-ing interests between love and religious ellegiance. Ariosto himself defined the subject of his poem:

Le donne, i cavalieri, l'arme, gli amori, Le cortesie, l'audaci imprese

(I sing of women and knights, arms and loves, courseses and daring deeds.)

This is the reason why Ariosto's text and Fragmard's drawings are liberally strewn with dead warriors, fainting, love-form women, gallant knights rescuing maidens in distress, and all the paraphernalia of the chiestense tradition which

Ariosto treats with irony but genuine affection. One of the linest examples in this vein is the drawing Orlando and his Knights lamenting the Death of Brandimarte (No 136) in which the hero pays homage to a fellow warrior slain in battle, a mass of inert armour lying diagonally across the ground,

diagonally across the ground.

The heroine of the epic is Angefica, an Oriental enchantress, who lures Orlando away from his Christian duty and, by her final marriage to the Moorish page Medoro, drives Orlando insane with Jealousy and unrequired love, Hence the title Orlando Furioso, abluding to the poem's twin themes of Love and Folly, which Fragonard portrayed in an aflegorical frontispiece (now in Besançon) for the projected edition showfor the projected edition show-ing Ariosto, crowned by laurels, seated on a stone bench and gazing intently at his two Muses

perched on a round table. It was no doubt this proto-Romantic conception of love as a kind of divine frenzy which attracted Fragonard to the poem for although the artist is poem, for although the artist is usually identified with light, frivolous eroticism and was dubbed "the Cherubino of erotic painting" by the Goncourt brothers, these drawings are inspired by a passionate ardour quite foreign to the spirit of the Rococo.

Their dominant characterist

Their dominant characteris- sights tics are dash and impensous aries. movement, conveyed by rapid, cursive strokes of chalk Human figures and shapes are rarely explicitly delineared, rather conjured up out of a vortex of curves and circles and blurred by the brown wash which Fragouard applies in the fa presto manner of the decorative painting he had studied in

Naples and Venice. Everything in these drawings is in perpetual motion, Forms almost seem to explode out of the paper as they dash to and fro, drawn as if by magnetic force. Knights challenge each ravished by the pagen enemy, as in Sacripante is foiled while attempting to ravish Angelica (No 6). But charity is never for tradition which meaning is always legible.

Fragonard's highly developed dramatic sense, which he ac-quired partly from his experiquired partly from his experience of the Neapolitan Opera,
is most conspicuous in drawings
like No 19 Atlante mounted on
the hippogryph swoops down on
Bradamante and its sequel No
21 showing Atlante vanquished
by Bradamante, in which the
dead warrior sprawls on the
ground while the mysterious
hippogryph flies off into the
sky.

Most of the action in these drawings takes place against a bare background, but occasionaliy, as in No 82, Orlando imagines he sees Angelica beseeching help, a heavy Baroque secting nep, a newy serves architectural framework serves to emphasize the operatic, supernatural quality of the event as the hero, sword in hand, catches sight of his beloved leaning over the balcony above. (SI sente richiamer da ana finestra, E leva gli occhi. Cento XII.)

The impassive statue on its control pedested seems to act as the stern arbiter between as the stern arbiter between Oriendo and the sketchifty drawn object of his fantesy, and to remind him of the impossibility of his desires. This drawing might almost be appropriate as an illustration for the scenery of Don Giovanni. Fragonard seems consistently fond of the hierasic, Neo-Classics; pattern of figures invoking other symbolic or semi-mystical figures raised on a pedestal, for this type of arrangement recurs in type of arrangement recurs in the equalty striking drawing Melissa leads Astolfo and Ruggiero to Logistilla (No 62), and clearly relates these drawings to such late allegorical composi-tions as the Fountain of Love (Wallace Collection), Pluturch's Dream (Roues), the Sacrifice of the Rose (Wildenstein No 497) and Les Peines d'Amour (Or-léans).

Although the source and meaning of these works is often obscure, they all share the same intense visionary cherecter as the Ariosto drawings and evoke states of mind heightened by imagination and desire.

Fragonard, in fact, like triosto, has an instinctive love of allegory and one of the most beautiful of all the drawings, St Michael finds Silence at the Gates of the House of Sleep Michael finds Silence at the Gates of the House of Sleep (No 108), provides the perfect visual embodiment for the abstract qualities Silence and Obliviou evoked in the line from Canto XIV of the poem: "Il Silenzio va intorno e fa la scorta". (The figure is seen with a gesture indicating silence and is gently leading the arch-angel down the steps of the inn. The sound of battle has momentarily died down, and Fragonard has created the ideal pictorial equi-valent for Ariosto's words in the sently curving outline of these two interlocking figures who personify mystery and silence.)

This ability to portray the whole range of drama and human emotion, through fantasy and satire to the epic and lyric, from heroism and romance to tender, quiet contemplation, is characteristic of I ragonard throughout his work and the one quality which raises him far above most of his sighteenth-century contempor-

The last word should be left to his friend the Abbé de Saint-Non, who so perceptively divined Fragonard's gifts when he wrote to his brother M de ka Breteche: "M Fragonard is all ardour; his drawings are so numerous that one cannot wait for the next; they delight me.. I find a kind of magic in them,"

Although Saint-Non was probably not referring to the illustrations in question, his words could hardly be more apt for the Ariosto series which mark coher to duels and girls are a climax in Fragonard's career and in the history of French eighteenth-century graphic art.

David Wakefield

a moment sacrificed to mere. The author is an art historian virtuosity and the illustration's and author of a recent book on

Christmas gifts

Acceptable art

will the recipient value it.

Nineteenth-century sketches
and watercolours provide a
case in point, and a number of
London's fine art dealers are
marking the season with informat exhibitions of small, decorative examples priced at well
below what they might fetch at
lass festive rimes. less festive times.

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Outside the trade, most people tend anyway to oversestimate the cost of such bargains. "Only 15 years 220", says Mr William Drummond, owner of the admirable Covent Garden Gallery in Russell Street, WC2, "an astute present-seeker could buy a small Rowlandson or an Edwin Landseer for under £50. Even today, he may be surprised to light on a signed watercolour by Charles West Cope, say, or a monkey picture by Edwin's brother Charles, for much ehe seme sum".

Wetercolours by both these artists are among 200 or more eighteenth, nineteenth and eighteenth, nineteenth and early twentieth-century plotures—chiefly landscapes and merine, enimal or geure subjects—which Mr Drummond will be showing until
Christmes, Meny are topographical and provide excellent
opportunities for present-huners. Ar £35, whet barrister
from Essex Court (no 5, to be
precise) could resist a careful precise) could resist a careful little watercolour exactly depicting his chambers' doorway in 1882? Do Lord Clark's friends presume to give him pictures for Christmas? If so, a romantic view of Seftwood Castle, painted about 1850 and priced at £40, might be a sefe choice for the landing. ecisa) could resist a careful

A little watercolour, painted in 1840 by an unknown artist at Eastnor Castle in Herefordat Rasinor Castle in Hereford-shire, shows a tabby kitten with its head poked through a hole in the bottom of its bas-ket and its tail trailing out of the top. Captioned "A Cat-astropia", a reproduction might once have adorned the local grocer's calendar. Now that Express no longer send a that grocers no longer send calendars, the fremed original begs to be bound in red ribbon and set at the foot of a Christmas tree. It is priced et

Just as funny, if less univer-Just as funny, if less universally appealing is the gouache of a far Oudh landowner, probably male, at the Harnoll & Eyre gallery in Duke Street, St James's. Ruthlessly portrayed by a Lucknow errist in about 1810, this androgynous zamindar, ancestor of Osbert Lancaster's Miss Arab World, may be seen until December 2 in the gallery's Christmas exhibition, happily entirled "The Great Indian Bazaar".

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At Chrismas, when all good s fine set of 36 drawings "executions know the cost of every cuted by the Natives of Panathing, the less obvious a present's price the more highly Customs and Dress of the will the recipient value it. Nineteenth-century sketches cobler taps furiously at his and watercolours provide a last in an open-sir heel-ber, a ing scarlet palanquin, an acra-bat balances on a filmsy ben-boo pole and fires his blunder-buss at the moon, a pompous mulish trundles smugly home after a hard day at the mosque. Prices range from £30 to £50, unframed.

Several other galleries are olding informal "Christman Several other gatteries are holding informal "Christmas hangs". Agnew's of Bond Street open theirs on December 1; it will include a set of soft blue London water colours, mostly of the parks, painted by Thomas Clarke in the 1880s (about £50 each) and a number of the sporting sporting. a number of tiny sporting prints by Henry Alken—witty, observant and become to colourful (about £35).

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From December 5, the Jeremy Mass gallery in Clifford Street, W1, will show a series of finely drawn Australian flower paintings executed by Checles Dicker in the £89k. (from £30). The exhibition will also include some pretty Themes watercolours painted by Percy Robertson at the cura of the century—a glimpse of bluebell woods at Numban bluebell woods at Nuneham Courtenay (£65) is especially eye-catching; and for those who like small pictures by big names there will be Leighton (about £40).

Up the nearby stairs at 3 Cork Street, starting on Up the nearby stairs at 3 Cork Street, starting on November 28, the Andrew Wyld gallery will be showing a number of modestly priced sketches and watercolours from the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. They include an extractive penalt deceases of an attractive pencil drawing of
a top-hatted gentleman by
Charles Keene (Whistler called
him "the greatest English
artist since Hogarth") with a
thumbail portrait of the artist in the corner (£55).

Richard Sachs

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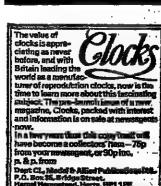
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Fairytale country

if "all this junk".
The junk he referred to were thelves of books containing the through the window to the fired stories of Hans Christian brigade in a composed manner Andersen, translated into just Now just try sayi Andersen, translated into just bour every language in the sairy tale reading world.

Didense, you see, is Andersen's wirthplace; and, like many other courists. I was paying homage truits. I was paying homage truits. courists. I was paving homage-ind kroner at the approved durine. Until the small and aggressive American schoolboy-and popped up. I had been tently wandering from room to com without a care in the world. I recall reling the little ellow that anything read broughout the world cannot be lismissed as "junk", and noved off to look at the other "whibits. With grim determina-ion and a sneer he tagged long, noting sharply that hadersen's portraits did not ook anything like Danny Kaye I was beginning to dessair when we came to a room containing some of the writer's personal possessions—including is travelling kit. There, in a

nst travelling kit. There, in a nation was a neatly coiled length of stout rope.

Andersen, you see, had a real fear of being trapped in a strange house or hotel bedroom by fire, so wherever he went are took his rope along, so ensuring an escape through an upstars window if the need trose.

some reason this turned for some reason his turned the Danish writer into a "real mart guy" as far as the noung American was concerned. He thoroughly enjoyed the rest of his morning and was waving tappily as his sightseeing wach pulled away. On its side was written "Fairytale Tours".

If you have three days to If you have three days to pure next rims you are in openhagen, those "Fairytale fours" set our regularly round he circuit from early May until ate September. They take in a lew castles and museums as well is the fascinating town of Legoland at Billund in Jutland. This is a town in miniature, on a 30,000 square feet site, built muirely of Lego blocks. The hree day tour next year will ost 1,226 kroner which, at present exchange rates, is just over 100. Another deal—the Hans thdersen Coach Tour—is fared by DFDS from £108. Isaed on Odense, this six day our visits many places of tterest in the area including he Viking ship at Ladby, Funen "liege open air, museum and If you have three days to

ever read that actually Keep calm and collected n its first paragraph. But sec-

Once upon a time I was stand- Andersen had in mind when he ng in a small museum in the packed his rope. According to Danish town of Odense when this you must "retain presence what looked like a microscopic of mind" if trapped in your James Cagney came wandering hotel room with flames and wer and asked, in a broad smoke blocking your escape american accent, what I thought along the corridor. Nor only that. The notice requires you to "... signify your presence through the window to the fire

when your pyjamas are on fire. I must not digress. I wanted to get off the Fairytale tale and talk about the wide choice of holidays to Denmark that will be available in the summer of 1970

DFDS, the company which runs ferry services from Har-wich and Newcastle to Den-mark (and which will be introducing a service to Gothen-burg, Sweden, in 1978) is offer-ing a number of such holidays at prices which include the sea crossing with cabin accommo-dation and, where applicable,

crossing with cabin accommodation and, where applicable, the cost of transporting a car. For those who want freedom, a self-drive holiday from £181 lets you choose your own timerary and select where to stay from 13 first-class hotels in different parts of the country. All the reservations are made in advance for you and the 10-day holiday gives you seven nights in Denmark. Like most, other DFDS arrangements, this holiday can be extended. There is a 400-mile motoring tour from £160 and a two-centre holiday from £185, the latter giving you four nights at the Hotel Marina at Vedback on the northern ourskirts of Copenhagen and three nights at the Munkebjerg Hotel, occupying a hilkop site overlooking the Veile Fjord in Jutland. There are motoring holidays using traditional Danish inns, and self-catering holidays as well as the extremely popular fermhouse holidays. These have enjoyed considerable success and are based on farms in Judand and

is the fascinating town of Lego and at Billund in Jutland. This is a town in ministure, on a 70,000 square feet site, built mairely of Lego blocks. The hree day tour next year will cost 1,226 kroner which, at present exchange rates, is just over 100. Another deal—the Hans thdersen Coach Tour—is fared by DFDS from £10s. It is the original area including the viking ship at Ladby, Funen filese open air museum and igeskov Castle.

Just after I left Odense, incidentally, I fell to thinking about lans Andersen and his coil of ope, having read the fire emeriency instructions on the back of my bedroom door. For the enterity of their foreign yishors, he Danes have obligingly transated these instructions into Sweden and Norway and my overall impression of Denmark, 1978, is that there is the widest possible. The country is heart of their foreign yishors, he Danes have obligingly transated these instructions into Sweden and Norway and my overall impression of Denmark, 1978, is that there is the widest possible considerable success and are based on farms in Judiand and Funen. The basic holidays of 10 days with seven nights on a farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the prices I quote include the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the farm costs from £86 but can be extended. Remember, the farm costs from £86 but can be extend widest possible choice of holi-day options. The country is beh. But sec- coming increasingly popular what Hans among British fishermen, some



A young Dane cradles a goat at an Odense market

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You should be able to obtain
information about all these

of whom I met during my last or from DFDS at Mariner visit at Svostrup Kro, an old House, Pepps Street, London inn on the banks of the river Gudena, a little north of Silkeborg. They assured me that the information about the country, Sceptre House, 169/173 Regent W1R SPY.

John Carter

Clive Barnes/New York Notebook

Shylock revisited

Looking first at the Wesker, by far the more considerable of the two, one is first prompted to ask: what would Shake-speare bave said. The question is neither frivolous nor irrelevant. In a very real way The Merchant is Mr Wesker's reply to Shakespeare, his exploration of Shakespeare's antisemitism, itself fairly conventional for Elizabethan times, and his defence of Shylock. The very idea sizzles with possibilities. It is, after all, a question which every modern production of Shakespear's Merchant of Venice has had to face—how do you explain Shylock, or rather Shakes-peare's view of Shylock, to contemporary audiences? This indeed was Wesker's own point of departure—he considered a production of the play that would give Shylock, as it were, equal time.

The more he considered such a course, the more impossible it seemed. Luckily for us Wesker, frustrated at making Shakespeare see dramatic reason, was spurred to write his own version of the play, which is how The Merchant came into being. It is useless to attempt any real comparison between Shakespeare and Wesker. The twin themes of the bond of a pound of flesh that Antonio gives Shylock and, es a sub-plot, the choice of taskets used to select a suitor for Portia, were, of course, stolen by Shakespeare in the first place and, naturally, have now been appropriated by Wesker in the second.

In this fascinating gloss on Wesker, frustrated at making

In this fascinating gloss on Shakespeare, Wesker sees Shy-lock and the merchant, Antonio—Jew and Christian— as close friends, indeed loving friends, who would literally do anything for each other. It is a triendship strengthened by the prevailing antisemitism of Venice, a fact of their lives which both recognize but ignore. The bond itself—that terrible pound of flesh—is porthing but here is been into the pound of the prophing but a been into the pound of the prophing but a been into the pound of the prophing but a been into the pound of the prophing but a been into the pound of the prophing but a been into the prophing the nothing but a harsh joke by shylock, to show a mocking contempt for Venetian law, a law that insists that in any transaction between Jew and Christian a written bond must

Wesker's treatment of these Shakespearean themes is in its way fascinating. There are lovely resonances of the origiwill not have pleas made on behalf of my humanity" Shy-

lock's pride is for justice-so the consideration that in his wny, he is as good as Gentile. sees for the patronizing clap-trap it is. This, after a fallow period, is

This, after a fallow period, is perhaps Wesker's finest play. No matter that his sense of period sometimes deserts him—so he has Shylock crying "I love it", or saying "Go down Shylock to the bottom of the class"—most of the writing is brilliant, with masterly sensibility. The director, John Dexter, helped by the happily vestigial settings and opulent costumes by Jocelyn Herbert, works wonders of directorial clarity and compression. The trial scene is a gem of staging, and the hurly-burly of the Venice ghetto is poerically Venice ghetto is poetically evoked.

The acting, while at times almost dominated by the ghost of Zero Mostel, who should have played Shylock, swoops up to the occasion. Joseph Leon's Shylock, proud, gentle, quizzical, is finely matched by Sir John Clement's splendid Antonio, with its clipped tones and patrician urbanity, and the gleaming intelligence of Roberta Maxwell as Portia. The play raises issues and risks arguments and it teems with life as a consequence. It is regrettable that Broadway decided to reject The Merchant and that it closed after a handful of performances.

There is also plenty of life in Golda. The time is October 6, 1973. The place is Tel Aviv. The event is the opening of the Yom Kippur war, and we have started with this new play by William Gibson which almost disarmingly calls itself "a partial portrait". Partial it is, The humanization of history is. The humanization of history is often a debumanizing process—and this is seems is what Mr Gibson has attempted and risked with this dramatic biography of that Israeli woman for the world, Golda Meir. Of course, here the play is not the thing—the thing is the portrait. For Mr Gibson is not merely showing us the playweight in the role of historian, but also the playweight in the role of portrait painter. ut also the playwright in the quips and obvious sentiment, Golda must be regarded as an opportunity missed. role of portrait painter.

One surefire element to warm nal play here—such as when up the cockles of Broadway's Bassanio coldiy contemplates the caskets, trying to second the Jewish play. In their very guess the whimsical madness different ways two examples of that led a father to let his the genre have just opened in New York, Arnold Wesker's The Merchant and William quotes Shakespeare direct— with the "Has not a Jew with the "Has not a Jew impersonation, is that magnificent actives." Speech, which he puts eyes" speech, which he puts into the mouth of the play's unsympathetic character, only to have Shylock declare: "I will not have pleas made on hehalf of me humanian" Characters on in a simple dress A little on in a simple dress. A little stoop, a little limp, a head set on shoulders like a knowing bird, an impression enhanced by a wise beak-like nose. The eyes are sometimes glazed with pain, more often alive with the wayward humour of the world. The manner is wry and jounty, and the voice is dry with and the voice is dry with irony, and hardened by a mixture of hope and suffering. A survivor's voice. A survivor's manner. Miss Bancroft pinsher character to the stage with the deft accuracy of a cartoon. What we see is both recognizably Golda Meir but also a cartcature of Miss Bancroft playing Golda—it is two-dimensional acting of consummate craft.

> The play ranges itself unti-dily around her. There is a theme—victory in the war— and the events of that war are, more or less, chronologically unfolded as we get the answer to Golda's first question: to Golda's first question:
> "How does a woman decide between generals?" But decide she does, and the dramas of the war, Golda's concern for life and for peace, provide the running continuity of the play. From this base Mr Gibson makes commando raids of the play. From this base Mr Gibson makes commando raids into other territory—telling in flashbacks the story of Golda's life, and, for the two run parallel, the story of the founding in our time of the state of Israel. The story, or stories, Mr Gibson has to tell is, or are noble enough in all is, or are, noble enough in all conscience. Yet the talling is diffuse. Would not a film, or an ordinary written biography, have covered this ground more fully, more revealingly, than is possible in the confine of this play? There is also a lack of play? There is also a lack of tension here, an absence of genuine insight, and too unrelenting a tone, perhaps derived from bustling events unfail-ingly met with ironic stoicism. Nevertheless, Arthur Penn, with brilliant use of visuals, has staged this mosaic of familiar vignertes with vigour and a fluidity that almost apes the film the play should have been. Even so, for those want-ing a view of the woman and

her times deeper than sassy

Bridge

Fashions in bidding

ivery magazine continues to rovide in its monthly bompetition a question to which here is no satisfactory snawer, shenever the problem arises in a rubber where there is a partcure. The question-master does tot understand that the score nust influence the choice of pening and response (I am assuming the absence of competitive bidding which adds to he complication) because a change of suit does not invarably convey more strength.

be give illogical reasons for heir answers, possibly because hey are tied to a system tevised for duplicate; but in he days when international Contests were infrequent, there was more justification for differences of continuous erences of opinion. I have selected a question Tom the distant past because t illustrates the inconsistency n partners who do not agree when a normal response dishoses a minimum holding and re unable to be sure whether minimum holding and hey are expected to look for slam. At game all, North outh 40, North the dealer has

emanded a second response

om his partner in the follow-

South holds A 10 6 7 A Q 9 7 5 4 3 4 Q 7 2 and est assume his partner to hold irregular distribution such 1 (or conceivably opened with the lower-ranking major which indicates strength thile showing caution in keep-

nental question, on which a satisfactory answer must depend, is whether every bid must be regarded as encouraging. Can one of the partners sign off with a minimum repe-tition of his suit ? It looks easy enough for South to rebid Three Diamonds. bidding between

disregarding slam prospects but disregarding slam prospects but ensuring the rubber; if he is more ambitious he might raise to Three Spades. I cannot imagine that a jump to Four Diamonds will get him anywhere beyond driving North to find a third bid on a hand which may be weak in points—where Three Spades would be passed out unless North held the &K or &A in addition to the OK or AA in addition to powerful suits.

Of the 47 answers provided by the experts you will be sur-prised to know that 25 were Four Diamonds, 12 Three Diamonds, eight gave Three Spades and two replied Three Clubs. Even in those days there were players who fancied that any bidding problem could be solved by the "fourth suit forcing", although here its introduction is meaningless. Stranger still was the explana-tion of his support for Three Diamonds by an expert who seemed to regard a bid in every situation as forcing irrespective of the part-score: "No good rubber player will let me hang in Three Diamonds if our combined hands will produce a siam somewhere." And that statement, I regret to assert, is

The Great Pacific Cruise.

one partner must be in charge of the bidding and will continue to bid constructively only if he visualizes his partner's holding. visualizes his partner's holding.
If South wishes to take charge he must bid either Three Spades which confirms North's suit, or jump to Four Diemonds, guaranteeing that he will not lose more than one trick in I always regard hands as demanding extra caution, and I should expect exchanges between them to die unless the key honours which are lacked by one partner are held by the other.

At this early period in the

development of system when every bid was regarded as proof of further strength, a 16-point No rrump was de rigueur, and opening. One Club could be weakest bid possible. It strongly on Three trumps, a raise which would be denounced today as incorrect because we have learnt to reckon our values meticulously. In the absence of conventional aids. gains contracts were frequently attempted with Seven trumps between declarer and part Perhaps they played the cards better than we do, because they continued to bid in this way until long after more scientific methods had been adopted. The next deal may carry some readers back than a quarter of a cenwore tury. (See next column.) North would normally have

hid One No trump and raised to Three No trumps ; but American scientific methods

North South game; dealer Ö q J 10 1 ₩ K-Q 57

which were not fully under-stood had begun to penetrate the London clubs and the auction took rhis form: North East South West 2 Club No 1 Spade 2 Dia 5 Spades No 4 Spades No No No

Having opened One Club and received a positive response North sought to give encourage ment towards game. Over the intervening Two Diamonds, he considered a single raise to be more than the minimum for such a bid. After hearing tation that North would be short South made the natural pro-gress to Four Spades and achieved what appears to be an impossible contract. West led the OK which South

allowed to win and followed with the QQ on which East dis-

c. ded the V3. South took with the VA and cashed his

three top trumps finding to his dismay that West held the long trump. His problem is to avoid the loss of both a diamend and a heart, which seems inevitable cause the clubs do not divide Declarer saw that be must persuade West to ruff one of East's tricks so that he could turn his trump into a tenth trick; he was helped by his count of West's hand.

At trick five South led a heart to the OK, and he learnt that West had only two un-known cards; if these two cards were clubs he was home. He played 🚣 A, 👫 K and led his smal club to dummy. West could not afford to ruff and discarded a diamond, so declarer played dummy's losing fourth club and discarded a diamond; East could only return a heart. West was again forced to duck his partner's lead, because he was otherwise using his trump to ceprive his partner of a winter. Declarer could now play and ruff dummy's losing diamond, and West was finally compelled to ruff his partner's trick.

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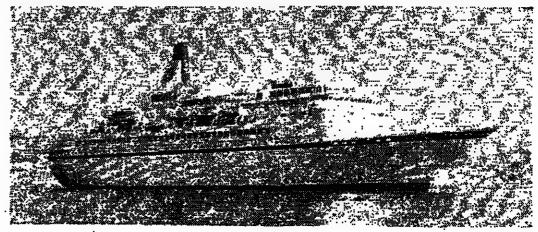
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How Mr Begin has changed the gun for the olive branch

Everyone who has been watching the dramatic turn of events in the Middle East wants to know one thing about Mr Begin. What can be give away? Any kints that the Israel Prime Minister lets slip on his official visit to London, which begins with talks at Downing Street this evening, will be picked up and studied avidly around the world.

It is certainly an extraordinary change that the former Irgun terrorist leader, now in London as a Prime Minister. seems to hold the key to peace n his hands. The contrast beween the gun and the olive

The key question, reviewing Mr Begin's attempt to respond in a positive way to the generous overtures made by President Sadat, is not, of course, peace with Egypt. As Israelis have often admitted, they have, in one obvious sense, no quarrel with Egypt,

Sinai does not have any mysopinion, potwithstanding its biblical association. In that sense, Israel does not have, and never has had, any emotional (as opposed to security) problem about returning Sinai to Egypt.

same considerations apply to the Golan Heights, even though the security question is very different. The narrowness of the land in question, and psychological attitude of Syria, makes negotiation much harder. All the same, Mr Begin does not face any overwhelming problem of sentiment in dealing

with this area, either. It is clear enough that the crux of his difficulties in drawing up a negotiating position concerns the West Bank, or as he refers to this area, Judea and Samaria. For Mr Begin, these names evoke a deep and mysti-cal sense of Jewish history.

The Likud election manifesto seems, at first sight, to offer no chance of a compromise. It asserted Israel's moral claim to all of the "Land of Israel". and in particular emphasized that Judea and Santaria were regarded as an integral part of

Since becoming Prime Mini-ster, however, Mr Begin has taken a rather more political and less emotive view. This is



tical importance to Israeli Mr Menachem Begin: more political, less emotive.

cians, when faced with the practicalities of office, find that life looks somewhat different. In his first speech to the Knesser he spoke of putting an end to bloodshed by sitting down at the negotiating table— which at least implied he felt there was something to negotiate about—and in a radio interview last September he said specifically that the frontiers will be determined in negotiations between Israel and her neighbours. While this begs the Palestinians, it makes it clear

More significant, in elaborating these nuances, Mr Dayan, as Foreign Minister, has referred to the possibility of discussing the renewed division of the West Bank. It seems fair to conclude, since on these matters Mr Dayan speaks on waster fully coordinating his position with Mr Begin, that the present Government would indeed be prepared to cede part of the West Bank-if a settlement really hinged on it.

garded as sacrosanct.

Given these hints, some people who study Mr Begin's thought believe that his attitude the West Bank is more flexible than is generally apprester, however, Mr Begin has taken a rather more political is to assert luraells' right to live and less emotive view. This is in the West Bank, not to hold hardly surprsing: most politi-

is looking for a way of respond-ing to President Sadat on the fundamental issue of giving up land, which might then become a homeland for the Palestinians, he has already prepared the

By contrast, the problem of Jerusalem seems more manage-able: for as a single city, rather than a whole territory, it is so much easier to devise ways of combining authority for different functions.

In London, Mr Begin will not be revealing his hand in any direct way. He sees his visit as an opportunity to vindicate himself, to replace the raputation he has as a terrorist, by presenting himself as a

Britain has little direct tofleence on events in the Middle East, but in Israeli eyes, the British stand is important. Britain is in a position to influence opinion in the European Community and to moderate the hostile attitude, as Israelia see it, of France. Having enjoyed very werm personal relations with the leaders of Israel's Labour Party, Mr Callaghan intends to put Mr Begin's past behind him in their takes, and to start afresh

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Strange how the City is being taken in by Labour

I cannot for the life of me that again. To the extent that one can be sure of anything in think of any reason why anyone should consider voting Conservative at the next general election. In terms of what Mrs Thatcher's Tories have to offer, life, we may suppose that this is what would happen. In all probability, and sooner cother than later, we would find our-selves exposed to the full canon of socialist doctrine with its we are adready served by about we are caready served by about as good as conservative government as we are likely to get."

Thus Mr Joe Rogaly in a most inneresting article published by the Financial Times on Tuesday. Mr Rogaly reflects a fairly widespread view which or socialist doctrine with its vestly restrictive implications. The collectivist society, the corporate state, would soon become a reality, since we are half-way there already.

That would be the prospect

if enough of us were to succeed to the notion that a Callaghan (or Callaghan-like) administration is quice a good able in the City. It is, I believe, a dangerous attitude. I say ment, because it seems to me to be ill-judged and superficial, administration is quite a good thing in conservative terms. Mr Callaghan is an illusionist. Given sufficient support, or popular acclaim, his act would lead to something immeasurably different. not well reasoned. True, Mr Rogaly does go on to acknowledge the possibility (though he hardly appears to resist it with any great conviction) that it Labour gets back with an overall

Allow Lebour another term with a working majority, and gets back want an overall majority next time the con-straint of the pact with the Liberals will be flung aside, while the IMF will anyhow be you will quickly see the real face of socialism. Not even the "moderate"—the "Baldwinian"—dir Cellaghan would be sent off because of all that revenue from the North Sea. able to dispuise its true features, if only because he

where Mr Callaghan is prac-tising his art (or artfulness) with some success. All too many are being taken in by it. They are themselves deceived and their ready acceptance of his apparent "moderation" is de-luding others, as if the middle way, in Mr Harold Macmillan's phrase, was to be secured in perpetuity by upholding James Callaghan.

Callaghan.

The City is especially guilty, as I know from my own occasional (and otherwise congenial) excursions into its bank parlours and directors' diming rooms. As an entity, the City is so accomplished, and its contribution to the economy so vital, that one is surprised, not to say alarmed, by the political misjudgments to which its members seem so prone. They members seem so prone. They trade with all the world. They are often so wise in their com-mercial calculations. Yet un terms of domestic policy they are so often at sea.

support from the Tories we shall all pay a heavy price before long—that is to sav all those of us who would prefer to live in a freer society than Yet in the City—and elsefuture Labour government

> Something of the same regrettable tendency may have affected the by-election in Bournemouth last week. Of course the Tories did well. But where did they do best? They did best in wards formerly inclined towards the Liberals, not in traditional Tory wards. Many Tories (it seems) held back. Dishlusioned Liberals, on the other hand, turned out to support the Conservative candi-

could be expected to sustain.

There is an important lesson here. People who are fundamentally opposed to socialism had better vote accordingly, and in the meantime behave accordingly. Otherwise they are heble to sell the pass. That is what it amounts to.

Any Tories who may think that they have Labour over a

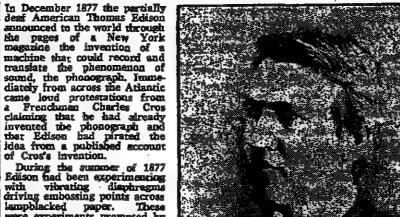
Who might succeed him? To my mind, one thing is barrel in the appalling affair of the Benn? Mr Shore? Neither is precisely conservative by guiled by Labour as to withhold ing themselves, as they will disconsist the succeed him? cover before long. While it is true that things

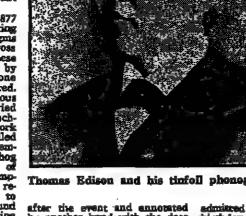
were going wrong in 1967, when Labour was in office, the worm excesses occurred between 1970 varive Government. The earlier failings were as nothing com-pard with those of the laner period, the years of the scan-dalous property boom (or bubble) in which the Agents so recklessly allowed themselves to become enmeshed.

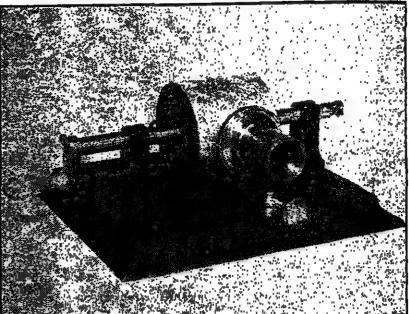
There was a lack of minic terial control. It is not as if ministers received no warning of the dangers inherent in what was going on : they were told and have much to answer for. Only in one respect can the

Tories conceivably benefit from this disgraceful episode: is surely demonstrates that business is best left to businessmen. not to bureaucrats or politicians If the experience serves to curb the taste for public ownership it will have achieved some imited good.

Edison, and the French phonograph connexion







Thomas Edison and his tinfoll phonograph: was he first?

During the summer of 1877
Edison had been experimenting
with vibrating disphregms
driving embossing points across
lampblacked paper. These
were experiments prompted by
Bell's invention of the telephone

Bell's invention of the telephone on which Edison had worked. But they were also an obvious development from work carried out in 1857 by another Frenchman Leon Scott. Scott's work resulted in an apparatus called the phonautograph which employed a dispures and hog bristle to trace a record of sound vibrations onto a lamphistical surface. These researches were intended to attain a visual record of sound without any attempt being made to translate the patterns back into sound.

Then Labour will move tow full-fledged socialism . . "

Edison after experiments in his Menlo Park ishoratory wrote in a notabook for July 1877 the following:—

Have tries experiment with a diaphragm having an embossing point and held against paraffin paper moving rapidly. The speaking vibrations are indented nicely and there is no doubt that I shall be able to store up and reproduce auto-matically and at any time the human voice perfectly.

The extract is typical of the confidence Edison had in his own and his staff's abilities. However, it was to be another four months before Edison could make a further note: l propose having a cylinder . . . 10 threads or embossing grooves to the inch . . . the cylinder

This note, deted November, 1877, describes the phonograph in ambryo.

There has been confusion over the data of Edison's invention, not that any one day can be set aside for such. An extant drawing of the phonograph executed by the inventor from memory sometime

after the event and annotated by another hand with the date August 12, 1877, has given cur-rency to this early date being accepted as the ectrad date of

The discovery of the diaries of Charles Barchelor, an extremely close assistant and trusted friend of Edison's, in the early 1960's proved otherwise. An for December 6, 1887,

Finished the phonograph. working model rushed off to New York to demonstrate the machine at the offices of the magazine the Scientific American. The first informed and accurate account of the phonograph appeared in the magazine on December 22, 1877, and was greeted by an enchusiastic

The two references to the phonograph in Edison's notebooks assume greater significance when one comes to consider the activities in 1877 of his rival claimant to the invention Charles Cros.

Cros, unlike Edison, was not a full time inventor yet by all accounts he was a brilliant and formidable man. Having mastered oriental languages at an early age he went on to be

admitted by his eighteenth birthday, as professor of chem-isary as a school for the deaf and dumb. He soon left the school to pursue a medical course which he never finished. a fact that did not prevent him from improvising as a doctor. Cros was an academic where Edison was a technician.

Possibly it was at the school for deef mutes that Cros became interested in sound vibrations. Interested enough that is to begin experiments, like he was ready to deposit with the Academie des Science in Paris a sealed document in which he described the theory of the recording and reproduc-tion of speech. The description is almost identical to that sub-sequently developed by Edison. Cros called his machine the "paleophone".

The account entitled " Procede d'enregistrement et de repro-duction des phenomenes percus par l'ouie " le short and concise. seemingly more so when one comes to consider the lengthy perent Edison submitted to the British authorities. Within a thousand words Cros set down the technique of recording and

points. The account is signed and dated April 16, 1877, three months before Edison's aforementioned experiments.
Unfortunately Cros could not present to the Academie a working model of the "palsophone" because one did not exist but he closed his account

with a promise that he was attempting to bring the theory to material reality.

The letter presented to the Academie in April was not considered until the session of processing a 1877 of the which December 3, 1877, after which it received official senction if

not recognition by being in-serted in their files. In October of that year, Cros frustrated by the lack of attention from the Academie, saw published an article by L'abbe Le Blanc in a magazine called La Semains du Clergy (October 10, 1877) which described Cros's paleophone theory.

When Edit over phonegraph

When Edison in December amounced his own phonograph Cros accused him of having blatantly copied from the article the device for which he was the rightful inventor. But the phonograph was patented under Edison's name and Cros's anger came to nothing. Could Edison have seen the article describing Cros's work? Maybe, Edison did have a repu-

proving on other people's ideas. However it must be realized that many contemporary minds were being drawn to the problems involved in sound record ing and reproduction. Equipment was obviously going as evolve from Bell's already vib rating disphragms. If an abbi in France writing under the general heading Le Monde Des Science et des arts could see two, then how much easier II must have been too with Edison's capabilities and

tation for developing and im

phone was an American invertion, subsequent developments on sound recording and reproduction apparatus did seem to be occurring simultaneously m habboth America and France. Bow both America and France. Bowever, it is beyond doubt that Cros did conceive of the peterphone theory months before Edison conceived of his own phonograph. In spite of this, one unequivocable fact ramains, Cros's device exiested on paper alone while Edison's with the resources of the workshop behind it became a working reality leading to the patent of December, 1877.

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After the elms-will we have to take the axe to the beeches?

The BBC recently reported that a new disease of beech trees appeared to be sweeping through the country. The Times was somewhat more guarded in its reports hinting that factors other than infectious agents might be responsible. Those of us in closer contact with trees have had the opportunity to look rather more carefully at

the dying beech.

There is no doubt that large numbers of beech trees in southern England and in locations as far north as Scotland have shown serious signs of sickness. Leaves have turned prematurely brown, bare twigs and branches have become visible progressively down through the crown of the tree and a number have died. The more observant may have noticed weeping tarry spots several inches in diameter on the transle of some trees. The the trunks of some trees. The arboricultural experts will re-cognize this symptom as one characteristic of disease in

beech.
Such symptoms can indeed arise as a consequence of the combined attack of the Beech coccus and the fungus Nectria coccinea (the causal agents of Beech bark disease). However patches of bark on trees can die for other reasons and during 1977 they have been observed on several other broadleaved species including sycamore, birch and ash. It has been suggested either that drought alone may cause the death of isolated patches of bark or perhaps rather more likely, that fungi are able to invade bark tissues weakened by the drought. Re-search is now being undertaken to throw more light on this

ing comment in a standard text book on the physiology of plants, including press: "Drought at a critical period

It should be emphasized that

trees are remarkably resident to depredations of climate; many of the beech now show-ing signs of distress have withstood the British climate for 150 years or more. Rainfall in the summer of 1975 was well below average and the drought of 1976 was exceptional. I am reliably informed by a keen mereorological student that the total reinfall at Kew from May, 1975 to August, 1976 (477mm) was the lowest for that 16-month period since records started in 1698. Under such extreme conditions there were periods when transpiration (the passage of water upwards from the roots) in beech trees and others was very limited or even

A number of factors can affect the uptake of water by trees. The availability of water in the soil is clearly important and as those who garden on eardy soils well know, they soon day out. Even on clay subject.
Yet the drought occurred supply and the consequent from June to August in 1976 shrinkage of clay may have

and many beach trees have not apparently shown acute symptoms of distress until the summer of 1977, although some symptoms were observed in the two previous years. Professor 7. Thuer, of the Department of Forestry at the University of Michigan, has made the following comment in a standard text. to a varying degree on all soil types. They were greatest on trees like beech which are often shallow rooted and less on species such as oak which are usually deeper rooting.

Evaporation of water from living trees takes place largely through the leaves which are also the vital sources of food production by photosynthesis. During hot weather leaves restrict the evaporation of water by closing their stomata, the small pores distributed all over their surfaces. The closure of stomata will also prevent the the surrounding air and thereby exclude one of the materials essential for photo-

which occurred during the summer of 1976, some leaves were actually shed perhaps as a means of preventing evaporation and transpiration or perhaps because no moisture was available from below. Once transpiration was reduced or stopped so also was photo-synthesis and food reserves normally built up during the summer months did nor accumulate. Some trees, such as birch on dry sites, were un-able to survive and died during 1976. Others such as beech were not killed at this time, but growth was reduced compared

with normal and reserves were markedly depleted by the end

call on food reserves. Before the leaves had expanded the new shoots had begun to ex-tend and they did so at the ex-pense of the reserves hald down in the previous season. Once the first leaves started to photosynthesize, there was less call on reserves and further growth could take place as new food materials were produced. However, the balance be-tween the consumption and

production varies through the season. In some tree species, such as many conifers, leaf production and stem elongation is largely completed early in the season. Some, such as birch and poplar, continue to produce new leaves and extension growth throughout the season and others such as beech fall-between these extremes and have two main flushes of leaf production and extension growth, one in May and the other in July or August. Growth in diameter or girth

in all species normally continues In the severe conditions throughout the season but when thich occurred during the sum reserves are low as in 1977 following the summer drought of 1976 resources for such growth may be limited. Several scientists have reported marked reductions in the size of the annual growth ring (which gives a measure of diameter growth) of beech following drought in the previous season and a similar phenomenon has been observed in beech trees showing dieback of crowns dursnowing dieback of crowns dur-ing 1977. The timing of the appearance of dieback symp-toms remains a matter for hypothesis—additional stresses which are imposed on trees in July and August include high

Fresh growth in the spring soil and a second period of configuration of 1977 demanded a further tension growth and leaf protension growth and leaf production usually called "lamms

Akthough the above explanation may appear complex, the scientists investigating these phenomena have suggested that many factors other than simply rainfall, low soil moisture and reduced food reserves may be involved in the reduction of annual ring widths. Indeed some tree physiologists could doubtless provide afternative explanations to the one given here. Nevertheless the food reserve hypothesis does seem to fit in with many of the recorded observations and experiments.

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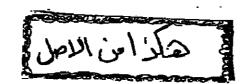
explanation of the effects of drought might be, there is no doubt that some will not recover. Beech is a valuable not could be a valuable not cover. doubt that some will all the cover. Beech is a valuable not ber and dead trees should be harvested before they determine there is a chance of recovery, indicated by the formation of healthy oversite tering buds, the trees should of course remain.

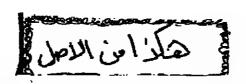
tering buds, the trees should of course remain.

The beech which are suffering the most severe effects of drought are often the older ones, some indeed planted if avenues or clumps in the era of capability Brown and other great landscape architects. The great land owners in the eighteenth century were able to plan and afford great nest lined vistas. Government agencies, such as the Countried Commission now provide grants for tree planting. But, who else one wonders, can make a frest contribution to the landscape?

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temperatures, some though not. The author is a forest patholo-severe shortage of moisture in gist.







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A LARGE MAJORITY FOR MURDER

It is to the credit of the South verdict was the only one which of his verdict may then be pos-African legal system that it still would have been consistent with provides for the holding of a the evidence before the court, public inquest into the death of even a political detainee, and that only living eye-witnesses were it allows the most stringent and members of the security police unfettered cross-examination of themselves) was highly permembers of the police force and other state officials by those representing the family of the dead man. Particularly creditable was the brilliant and fearless conduct of the case for Mr Biko's family by Mr Sydney Kentridge, who has done honour to his profession. One would like to see a university recognize his conduct with an honorary doctorate. Virtually every other aspect of the whole Biko affair is, however, shrouded in shame

and dishonour.

The astonishing insensitivity as well as the stupidity of the Minister of Justice, Mr Kruger, the appalling callousness and inhumanity of police behaviour to Mr Biko (and therefore, it can be assumed, to other detainees) even if the incidents resulting in his death are not taken into account, the evasions, contradic-tions, inconsistencies and downright lies contained in the police evidence to the inquest, the wretched misconduct of at least two doctors in the case, whose treatment of Mr Biko and subordination of medical ethics to the wishes of the security police suggest that they are unfitted to be members of their profes-sion, have all now been folned in discredit by the decision of the inquest magistrate that Mr Biko's death was not the result of any

criminal act. The magistrate had three main options. He could have decided that Mr Biko had died as a result of being assaulted by one or more security policemen. That is what counsel representing Mr Biko's

which though circumstantial (the suasive.

The magistrate could also have reached an open verdict, in effect saying that on the conflicting evidence before him he could not make up his mind one way or the other. Such a decision would have implied that there were, in his mind, some doubts about the police version of events. He chose instead to couch his findings in a way which made it clear that he believed the police evidence That can be seen from his acceptance that the head injury which resulted in Mr Biko's death was probably sustained in a scuffle with the police. The very existence of that struggle, however, is dependent on unconvincing and inconsistent police evidence of it.

The magistrate went on to say that there was no proof that Mr Biko's death had been caused by any act or omission amounting to a criminal offence by any person. The word "proof" in the context of the functions of an inquest magistrate means "prima facie case". It was not part of his duty to decide beyond reasonable doubt whether anyone was criminally hable. That task would be performed by the court before which anyone charged with an offence appeared. The magistrate's finding is therefore that there was not even a prima facie case of criminal conduct. On the evidence, such a decision appears absurd. The magistrate may (be is not obliged to under the law) subsequently release the motivated reasons for his family had asked him to do. That decisions, and a further analysis

sible. Subject to that we can only conclude that his verdict was not impartial, that he suffered from such personal or political bias that he gave a verdict which was against the weight of the evidence, supported only by testimony which had been shown in cross-examination to be tainted with inconsistency and perjury. This was either a prejudiced or

a dishonest finding.

The Biko inquest has shown that provided the security police do not falter in their solidarity, it is all but impossible to satisfy such a magistrate that any detainee died at their hands by unlawful means. By the nature of South Africa's detention laws, no one other than the police, prison warders, and those, like prison doctors, with special access to detainees can really know what has happened to a person in detention. Unless they reveal the truth—and they all have considerable interest in not doing so—it cannot be proved by direct evidence, and it now seems that no circumstantial case, however strong, can effectively dent that conspiracy of silence and lies. The security police have come out of the Biko affair the stronger, their capacity to commit their reckless and inhuman acts of cruelty with impunity confirmed. Apart from the personal tragedies to those unfortunate enough to find themselves detained indefinitely without trial and held incomunicado at the mercy of people such as gave: evidence at the Biko inquest, there is a further and perhaps sadder tragedy: that the vast majority of white South Africans approved—in the name of national security—of what was done to Steve Biko, or cannot see what all the fuss has

THE SECRET SERVICE AND PUBLIC RECORDS

The United Kingdom is good at espionage, especially the technical kind involving communications, intelligence and codebreaking it is one of the things, as the late Mr Donald codebreaking. It is one things, as the late Mr Donald McLachlan used to remark, that makes us alliance worthy. There have always been sound arguments for concealing this sion in 1974 to reveal at least particular example of the part of the codebreaking triumphs of the Government triumphs of the Government Code and Cypher School during World War II.

Evidence of the collective Park, the to underrate the British as codebreakers. "It is a pity to relieve this amiable weakness of theirs",

he added. Total concealment can backfire, however. Politicians and the public will underrate the value, indeed the necessity, of such activities if their only image of those who carry them out is of libidinous James Bonds or latterday Bertie Woosters with small arms training. The antithesis to Hankey's view was put very nicely by Sir John Masterman, one of the wartime giants of MIS, in his study of The Double Cross

System.

Any good work done by the Secret Service is usually unknown except to those in high places and those personally concerned. On the other hand any error or partial failure receives a great deal of publicity and a spate of criticism. Failures are exaggerated, successes never mentioned... Although this is inevitable, it carries with it

the services is lost ", he wrote. Ministers are currently weigh. ing the dilemma posed by Hankey and Masterman as they move towards a decision on how much should be revealed about

genius of Bletchley Park, the wartime home of the GC and CS, on the shelves of the Public Record Office has made it impossible to sustain the fiction that espionage activities cease the moment peace is signed. Of course the Attlee government turned the attention of Bletchley and its successor organization to the interception of Soviet signals traffic in the late 1940s. It would have been a dereliction of duty to do otherwise.

Nowadays most newspapers, though The Times remains an exception, regularly break the D Notice urging that the name of the present Director of MI6 not be disclosed. Some even publish the address of his south London headquarters. Yet ministers still pretend in Parliament that he and his 700 operators do not

exist. There are good reasons for protecting the current activities of MI6. Few people would want them put in jeopardy through Parliamentary questions asked by fellow travelling Labour MP's

whose allegiance does not lie with the Wastern Alliance. But falsifying the historical record to sustain the impossible illusion that MI6 exists only as the "Circus" in John le Carré novels is another matter. A seventy-five year embargo is placed upon all public records that mention MI6, even at the foot of a long circulation list. This is a practice that plays into the hands of conspiracy theorists.

Of course some papers should be retained for very long periods of time. Blood could be spilled in Ireland, for example, if the names of those who spied for Britain during the troubles were revealed even in 1977. But to close two thirds of the Colonial Office Papers on Palestine for 1947 simply because they allude to MI6 is a nonsense.

Ministers have a ready made watchdog in the Lord Chancel-lor's Advisory Council on Public Records. At present, the committee is told, as a matter of courtesy rather than of right, what will fail to appear on the public shelves. No details are given, Last month it was simply told that "49 pieces of special Colonial Office correspondence" was being retained. The Council, Lord Trend, the former Secretary of the Cabinet, told a committee of permanent secretaries last month, are tired of acting as "rubber stamps". If ministers cannot fulfil their pledges of open government in the field of public records, to what areas is the principle applicable?

unhappy consequences, for when reputations suffer, confidence in A RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE HOUSE OF LORDS

There is increasing disquiet over it, and the term of office of the effects of the guillorine on the Scotland Bill. Much of the passed without discussion. These criticism comes, as one would expect, from those who disapprove of its substance. But it is entirely reasonable that those who are sympathetic to the Bill's basic purpose should be dis-turbed at the way it is being pushed through Parliament. There had to be a guillotine at some stage if it was to stand any chance of being passed at all. Otherwise debate, and the opportunities for filibustering, would have been endless. But it is wrong in principle, and might be very dangerous in practice, that whole sections of a Bill of this consequence should be approved without debate.

That has been the effect of the particular procedures that are being applied. The difficulty bas not come from filibustering. There has simply been insufficient time for considering matters of substance; so that tunity to make that improvesuch questions as the possibility of giving the assembly taxing more necessary for the House of powers, the timing of election to Lords to perform that function.

are not trifling items. Getting the right answers on some of them may be critical to the success of the whole scheme. Nor can it be maintained that thorough examination of the details of this Bill was not required because of the attention given to the Scotland and Wales Bill in the last session. Not only is this a new Bill that requires separate study, but the committee proceedings on that measure had not gone beyond consideration of the third clause of the original Bill before the unsuccessful attempt to impose a guillorine.

The Scotland Bill remains an imperfect piece of legislation, somewhat better than the Government's previous effort but still in great need of improvement. If the House of Commons is not to have a proper opporment then it becomes all the

This is not a call for the Peers to emasculate the Bill. What is needed is thorough, constructive examination of a complex measure dealing with issues of great subtlety and importance for the future of the United Kingdom. It is precisely the kind of task for which a revising chamber is required.

The Lords must not shrink from this role for fear of imperilling their own future. There would be no point in having a second chamber that failed to do its job in case it was abolished. If the Government object to having their legislation stringently revised by the House of Lords as now composed then the sensible course would be to take steps towards reforming its composition. That would be no bad thing. If the Lords prompt such action by insisting on fulfilling their own role adequately so much the better. What must not be allowed to happen is for one of the most important measures that Parliament has considered for many years to be rushed on to the statute book

Future of Rhodesia

ent.

From Mr Stuart F. Hills Sir, May we now expect black African leaders in their various countries to follow Mr Smith's example by accepting the principle of one man one vote?

Yours faithfully, YUART HILLS. 5 The Ridgeway, Toobridge,

November 25. From Mr 1. D. McElweine Sir, One of the less well-publicized items of the Anglo-American "package" for Rhodesia is the pro-

posal to establish a Zimbabwean development fund of at least £530m to revive the economy after inde-pendence. Since the Rhodesian economy is at the present time, and despite years of sanctions, among the strongest in Africa, it is clear that a very marked decline in the prosperity of that country is exprosperity of that country is expected upon reaching the longedfor goal of black majority rule.

Is it really the wish of the black
majority that they should suffer not
only poverty, but disorder and fear
such as they have never experienced
in their lifetimes for the ephemeral
satisfaction of (possibly) being allowed to mark and put a slip of
paper in a bailot box—once?

And if it is assumed that this is

indeed their wish, should the British taxpayer subscribe to a deve-lopment fund which is to be one of the consequences of fulfilling that wish? For let us be clear that this fund will become a bottomless purse and a drain upon our resources for years to come and all we shall receive in return will be obloquy from those we have betrayed and contempt from those we would be-

without proper scrutiny.

Yours faithfully, I. D. McELWAINE, Friday Farm, Rusper, Horsham West Sussex. November 10.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Elections to the European Parliament

From Lord Walston Sir, There can be no doubt that direct elections to the European Parliament will take place. The main decision still to be taken is whether these elections should be on the conventional British "first past the post" system; or whener there should be some form of PR and a regional list. Some are in favour of a regional list on the grounds that with such a system we should be able to meet the proposed time-table, and direct elections would not be held up solely because of British

delays. Laudable though such intentions are, they are not by themselves strong enough reasons for adopting strong enough reasons for adopting a system of election if it had other disadvantages. Of those who favour the first past the post method, some do so solely on the grounds that it will delay direct elections. This is an even weaker argument for choosing a particular system.

There are many who, while drawn towards a regional list, still oppose it because they feel it would be the thin end of the wedge for a similar system in our own parliamentary elections. They feel that, with all elections. They feel that, with all its faults, our present system is the best for our own Parliament. There are two factors that such people do not take into account. The first is, as you rightly pointed out in an editorial a few days ago, that the European Parliament is called a Parliament only by courtesy. It is, in fact, as its official name clearly shows, little more than a consultative assembly. There is therefore no need, as there is at Westminster, for a clear cut majority of one party which then has to form a government. Rather is it necessary for the European Parliament to represent as wide a spectrum as possible of political opinion in all the member countries.

Secondly, members of the British Parliament are truly the representatives of the people who elect them. It is not easy for them to keep contact with their 50,000 or so constituents, but it is still possible. This is one of the most important functions of a Member of Parliament at Westminster, and must be preserved. The member of the European Parliament, however, has to represent something more like a quarter of a million people. This Secondly, members of the British to represent something more like a quarter of a million people. This he cannot do in any personal way. All he can hope to do is to be available to abous representing the major interests of his wide constituency. Thirdly, it is essential that members elected to the European

Parliament should cooperate closely with the government at home, as well as with the opposition parties. In order to do this effectively, and above all in order that the government of the day should regard the European Parliament as a valuable adjunct to democratic government, it is important that the membership of the national groups in the European. Parliament should bear some relationship to the membership of the national Parliament, Had there been a first past the post election to the European Parliament last May, the strong probability is that there would have been no Liberals, very few Labour members, and a great preponderance of Conserva-tives. This could not have led to a useful working relationship between the Labour Government and the British members to the European

For these reasons, it is surely assential that Parliament should now decide that the interests of this country and of democracy will best be served by elections to the Euro-pean Parliament being on the basis of regional lists. Yours truly, WALSTON, A14 Albany, Piccadilly, W1. November 29.

Sir, David Wood in his article of November 28 raises some interest-ing points with regard to the delay of the EEC poll. One important outstanding point however does not

receive a mention. This is the agreement by senior government members of all coun-tries involved that direct elections will be held by those nations simul-taneously and eventually with the same method of voting.

same method of voting.

As eight nations will use proportional representation, we are bound to use this method at the second set of elections. Why partisan opposition to proportional representation is required when we are bound to adopt a new method of election eventually is a mystery. The barriers are erected by so-called Europeans. The folly of this action is of course the damage to the European cause. A cause which includes a system of election which is just. Yours faithfully,

BRIAN ELLIS. 61 Brest Park Road, Hendon, NW4, November 28.

The Lord's Prayer From Mr John Stokes. MP for Halesowen and Stourbridge (Con-Halesowen servative)

Sir, Mr Foster-Carter's moving plea in his letter (November 30) for the "irreplaceable link between us and that great cloud of witnesses" who have gone before us in our use of the traditional words of the Lord's Prayer lies at the heart of this controversy. The Bishops and the General Synod Bishops and the General Synod seem intent on breaking that link, as they have already done by virtuelly replacing in all our churches the Book of Common Prayer by Series II and Series III. How many of us when in trouble, distress or danger do not repeat, aimost subconsciously, the moving words of the Lord's Prayer, one of the Collects or the well known prayers. In future will even this comfort be

denied us by our masters? Yours faithfully, John Stokes, House of Commons. November 30.

From Mr Bert Lodge
Sir, The rift between traditionalists
affectionate to the language of the
Authorized Version and others who
welcome putting the Lord's Prayer—indeed, the entire Book of Common Prayer—into modern speech is
simply one more example of a contemporary and growing phenomenon

simply one more example of a con-temporary and growing phenomenon—that of a long-established con-sensus breaking down.

Among other areas where it has happened—and the bathos is not intentional—is brewing. In many pubs keg or pressurized beer has supplanted traditional ale. Fortun-arely guides have hear produced for arely, guides have been produced for the discerning drinker on which pub sells which. The same must happen for burches and you sir, could

give a lead. You oblige those of us living not too far from you by printing each Saturday details of services the following day in central London parishes. Could you not now start indicating which churches have remained traditional and which have gone keg?
Yours sincerely,
BERT LODGE,
61 Gloucester Avenue, NW1.

From Mrs A. G. MacAndrew
Sir, I do feel that a great deal of
sentimental nonsense is written in
connexion with the modernization
of the Lord's Prayer. Of course
older people who have used this
prayer in a certain way for many
years may not wish to change it,
nor see any good reason for doing
so. But if Christianity is to remain
a living and powerful force, it a living and powerful force, it must be expressed as accurately as possible in language which is clearly understood at any particular

Yours faithfully, JEANNE M. MacANDREW, Littlefield House, Webbs Lane bbotts Ann, Andover, Hampshire.

From the Reverend Francis A. C. S. Bown Sir, Mr Martin Higham's strictures on members of the ecclesiastical hierarchy (article, November 25 remind me of a remark attributed to the wise but mischievous Dom Gregory Dix: "It is no accident that the symbol of a bishop is a crook, and the sign of an archbishop is a double-cross."

Yours in Dno.

FRANCIS BOWN,

35a Pinfold Street;

Howden Nr. Goda. Howden, Nr Gools, Yorkshire.

Safeguarding the otter From Lord Cranbrook

Sir, Few of your correspondents seem to realize that the Conservation of Wild Creatures etc Act was passed in order to protect any wild creature which "has become so rare that its status as a British wild creature is endangered, either generally or in any particular area". That wild creature may be eg a butterfly. or a mammal like the otter or a

The criterion which must govern the implementation of a Conservation Act must be whether or not a wild creature is endangered, not whether or not it is being chased with a butterfly net, with bounds or shot with a rifle. Ethical objections to those actions may justify special

on condition that one third of the

total space was to be used for residential purposes. To meet this condition strenuous efforts were made to provide student accommo-

dation in this residential sector, a

Act is a good example.

I am a conservationist and next
Tuesday (December 6) hope to
move a resolution urging the Government to make an Order giving
the otter the protection of the 1975
Act in those areas "where the
Nature Conservancy Council advise
that the otter is so rare that its
status as a British wild creature is
endangered."

That seems sensible to me: I hope That seems sensible to me: I hope that your readers will agree.

legislation to prevent them, but that

is not conservation. The Badgers Act is a good example.

I am, Sir, vours etc., CRANBROOK, Red House Farm. Great Giemham, Saxmurdham, Suffolk. November 30.

was at the time Chairman, was able to interest certain contractors Nash's neglected terrace From Mr John Hopkins

in the sponsorship of luxury flats for the residential sector and so making the whole scheme a practi-Sir, It was distressing to read in The Times of November 26 that Cambridge Terrace, in Regent's Park, is still unrestored and neglected. It is also surprising to read that, according to Camden Cambridge Terrace, in Camden cal proposition, At this juncture, Camden Council withdrew their consent, not because they objected to the residential Council "any changes in plans that sector being used for luxury flats, have occurred have been due to changes in the economic climate". but I was given to understand, because they thought that if one third of the space could be used At one stage, over ten years ago, London International Centre, in for this purpose there was no reason why the whole building could not be so utilized. conjunction with the Crown Commissioners, presented a viable and attractive scheme to restore Cambridge Terrace for use mainly as a centre for headquarters accom-modation of a number of well known international charities. Out-line planning consent was obtained

The result was that London International Centre had to abendon a scheme to which several years of planning had been given by the Crown Commissioners and the charities, London still has no centre from which they, the charities, can operate with maximum efficiency through pooled resources, and Cambridge Terrace is still "the shabbiest and most neglected of the Nash terraces " Yours faithfully,

scheme which was approved by Camden Council. These efforts failed through lack of finance for failed through lack of finance for student accommodation but London The Naval and Military Club, International Centre, of which I Piccadilly, W1.

Christmas as a Christian festival

Sir, Curiously enough, I (and, I suspect, a great many other Christians) do not welcome the demythologizing of credal belief as an aid to the resanctifying of Christ-mas. Clifford Longley ("Christmas values and the incarnation 'myth', The Times, November 28) is no doubt perfectly correct in pointing out that the welter of ersatz religious sentiment surrounding the festival does precious little to increase the average man's understanding of the Sermon on the Mount (let us say). But that is hardly the point.

hardly the point.

Christians have believed for most of two millennia in a God who willed to identify himself with the whole of human experience, even the weakness and total dependence of childhood, who has, so to speak, set his seal and his value on everything that is human not simply the competent, the successful, or the useful. It is a point whose importance for the Christian understanding of men and women in society lets. of men and women in society let alone men and women before God, alone men and women before God, cannot be over-emphasized; it is one of the foundations for the Christian option in favour of those without rights or power. And it speaks of a divine love which will not coerce, but is ready to be helpeless and dependent, begging only to be freely loved in return.

A demythological Christman designed to the control of the control o A demythologized Christmas sig-

A demythologized Christmas sig-nalizes the abandonment of any distinctively Christian view of both God and man. The 'traditional picture certainly risks evoking self-indulgent emotions; but the appeal to pity always runs such a risk. Sentimentality is the tribute which cynicism pays to compassion. The paradox of the infant God, the appeachless Word, was one which more imaginative and compassionate generations delighted to dwell upon. If the Christian Church is unable to cope with the seriousness, the moral cope with the scriousness, the moral as well as religious seriousness, of this, the future not only of the household of faith but of humanity itself is even bleaker than it normally sppears. I remain, Yours sincerely, ROWAN WILLIAMS Westcort House, Jesus Lane, Cambridge, November 23,

From Mr Robert F. Pitt Sir. Clifford Longley, writing on "Christmes values and the incarnation 'myth'" (The Times, November 28), says "whatever the kernel of historical truth about the birth of Jesus at Bethlehem, the surrounding circumstances described in the

From the Reverend Dr Rowan early chapters of the Gospels, particularly Luke's, are regarded by non-fundamentalist scholars as the product of the author's imagina-

> This statement is inaccurate. Most scholars do not believe the early chapters of Luke's Gospel to be drawn from his own imagination. Luke is known, as a result of Synoptic research, to be an editor who wrote from source material. He was a careful historian. The purpose of his gospel is clearly stated in its first verse:

declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us, even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eye witnesses " (Luke I 1-2.)

Writing in the last decades of the first century, Luke's task was to bring together the various strands of tradition, both oral and written, which had come down to him. To add to this tradition a preface drawn from his own imagination would be to deny his own literary purpose.

literary purpose. It is correct to say that many scholars consider the Christmas "events" to have been "a literary device for signifying the specialness of Jesus in the minds of his near contemporaries". It is incorrect to say that these same scholars attribute the "devising" to Luke.
Obviously he was an historian

Obviously he was an historian who arranged his material with theological motivations, as do the authors of The Muth of God Invarnate, but he clearly believed what he wrote to be true.

Sincerely,

ROBERT F. PITT. Goddington House, Court Road, Orpington, Kent. November 29.

And a partridge

From Mr Nicholas D. King Sir, The Post Office is certainly to Sir, Tale Post Office is certainly to be congratulated on the standard of the Christmas stamps which have been issued this year; but who is responsible for these stamps portraying twelve lords a-leaping, eleven ladies dancing, ten pipers piping and nine drummers drumming, when all recognized standard versions of the carol have ten lords a-leaping. the carol have ten lords a-leaping, nine ladies dancing eleven pipers piping and twelve drummers drumming? Yours faithfully,

N. D. KING. 25 Kent Road. Folkestone,

Maintenance of canals From Mr P. R. Lisle

Sir, I was concerned to see in your issue of November 23 a report by your Political Correspondent that in evidence to the Select Committee on nationalized industries the responsible Minister trad said that he was amonished that the British Waterways Board had been unable to show which parts of the canal system needed urgent repair.

The facts are that the Board's continues consider the 1870

The facts are that the Board's engineers carried out in 1970 a detailed survey of the Board's waterways to quantify the extent and cost of the arrears of maintenance which our earlier studies had revealed. The sum arrived at was £21.8m and the survey documentation is still available today. The Board rely on grants from central Government to fulfil their many statutory duties and obligations and have received over many years iosufficient money for this

tions and nave received over many years insufficient money for this purpose. Indeed the report of the independent consulting engineers commissioned by the Department of the Environment published on November 9, 1977, fully confirms the existence of the arrears we identified and endorses the Board's arguments for additional funds to overtake these. overtake these.
The major problem of arrears and

the restriction of funds has meant that it has been impossible to

equate the need with the money available. What is done each year is to allocate money to the most argent requirements for the security and safety of the system as a first priority and thereafter to allocate the balance to the many pressing needs for operating dredging and maintenance work throughout the system.

out the system.

Many of the structures for which the Board are responsible are up to 200 years old and although regularly inspected this is not sufficient to determine the true physical condition of such structures. Suitable staff, resources and time are needed and because of the time are needed and, because of the limitation of money, sufficient staff and resources have not been avail-

These problems have been the subject of detailed discussions with Subject of detailed discussions with Governments over many years. Now that £5m of additional funds have been made available for 1978-79 to deal with the most urgent problems of sacurity and safety, the Board will be able to extend that work and prepare forward programmes of priorities beyond the obvious urgent necessities.

Yours faithfully,
P. R. LISLE.

P. R. LISLE, Chief Engineer, British Waterways Board, Melbury House, Melbury Terrace, NWI

The demise of poetry From Mr Grahaeme Barrasjord

Young Sir, The recent statement by the editors of New Poetry 3 that the editors of New Poetry 3 that the "persistent vein of romantic traditionalism" has almost entirely disappeared from poetry must presumably be taken to mean that no-one any longer writes poetry. Poetry, defined by the OED as "elevated expression of elevated abought . . ", has, in recent years, been almost completely suppressed by the editors of literary magni by the editors of literary maga-zines, who seem to regard any poem which . contains metaphor and allusion, or displays any evidence of education and breadth of know-ledge, as " beavy " and " literary ",

Do we assume that an educa-tional and social system which regards all attempts at presenting excellence or making people think as elitist is responsible for this attitude, or is there some curious reason of their own that makes editors prefer banality of thought and expression to a standard of poetry that produced the great names now entirely lacking from English poetry? English poetry?
Yours sincerely, G. YOUNG, Co-Editor, Labrus, 91 Wimborns Avenue,

and therefore beyond consideration.

Fact or science fiction?

From Mr Martin Raw Sir, As psychologists with a keen interest in people's attitudes towards extraterrestrial life, as well as interest in the possibility of such life itself, we feel bound to make an important point that has so far been neglected in coverage of the intergalactic message received in Southern England last Saturday, A voice from outer space would have come from the nearest inhabitable galaxy (or further)—at least tens of light years away and would, we conclude, hardly be in touch with the latest political and social develop-ments in Hampshire. This suggests, to us at least, the possibility that the message was a hoax. Alterna-tively, if it wasn't a hoax, John Arlott has got a lot of fast talking to do. Yours sincerely,

MARTIN RAW, Institute of Psychiatry, Addiction Research Unit, 101 Denmark Hill, SE5.

Hlegal immigrant amnesty From Lady Eldon

Sir, How does the Home Office know the date an illegal immigrant enters the country?
Yours faithfully, CLAUDINE ELDON, 2 Coach House Lane, Somerset Road, SW19.

Welsh nicknames

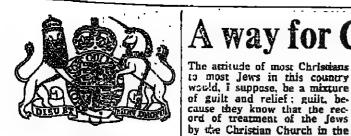
Hayes, Middlesex.

November 30.

From Mr Dillwyn Miles Sir, Trevor Fishlock (November 26) omitted to mention Dai Central Eating so named, not because of any house warming connexion but simply because he had only one tooth left. Yours faithfully, D. MILES. Castle Hill, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire.

From Mrs Margaret O'Shea Sir. . . . not to mention the very tall thin man with the waxed moustache, affectionately known, throughout his region as Barbed Wire Jones. Yours faithfully, MARGARET O'SHEA, 4 Willowfield, Harlow,

From Dr Eirian Williams Sir, That lovely man—David Evens, Esq. Grove Bakery, St Davids—to his countless friends was Dai Bread and Dai the Bun until the Investiture. He was presented to our Prince and now of course is the the one and only Dai Upper Crust. Yours faithfully EIRIAN WILLIAMS, Thornton House, Thornton, Milford Haven,



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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
December 2: The Queen, Colonel
in-Chief, today visited the 1st
Battallon The Royal Welch Fusiliers (Commanding Officer, Lacuranant-Colonel R. M. Llewellyn) at Lucknow Barracks, Tidworth. at Lucknow Barracks, Tidworth.
Having been received upon
arrival by the Colonel of the
Regiment (Major General P. R.
Leuchars), Her Majesty later
honoured the Commanding Officer with her presence at luncheon in

the Officers' Mess.

Mrs John Dugdale, Mr Robert Guy, RN, were in attendance,
The Prince of Wales this morning attended a filming session for ing attended a filming session for ITV's "Magpie" programme at Dunraven Castle, South Wales.
His Royal Highness later presented nurses of the West Glamorgan Health Authority with their certificates on completion of their training at the Brangwyn Hall, Swansea.
The Prioce of Wales, Chairman, attended a lunchenn and meeting

attended a luncheon and meeting of The Prince of Wales' Com-mittee for the Welsh Environment Foundation at the Stradey Park Hotel, Lianelli. Foundation at the Stradey Park Hotel, Lianelli.
His Royal Highness this afternoon presented The Prince of Wales's Awards for 1977 and the Prizes for Best Kent Villages at Bryngwyn School, Lianelli.
This evening, His Royal Highness, chairman, attended a Gala Concert given by the winners of a music competition organized by the Weish Council of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal at the Brangwyn Hall, Swansea.
KENSINGTON PALACE December 2: Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester today December 2: Princess Alice
Duchess of Gloucester today
opened the new Extension to the
Wisbech and Fenland Museum and
later visited Peckover House.
Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
December 2: Prigcess Alexandra
was present this evening at the
Gala Performance of the County
of Surrey Youth Festival of the
Arts, held in celebration of The
Queen's Silver Jubilee and benefiting the Jubilee Appeal, at the
Dorking Halls.
The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard
was in attendance. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend a dinner to be given by the Commonwealth High Commissioners in the United Kingdom at Mariborough House on December 19.

Birthdays today

Vice-Admiral Sir Copolly Abel / mith, 78; Mr Walter Anderson, 67; Mr H. G. Brotherton, 87; Sir William Harpham, 71; Miss Tanya Molselwitsch, 63; Air Marshal Sir Douglas Morris, 69; Mr Victor Pasmora 59; Poofessor Mr Victor Pasmore, 69; Professor J. B. Smith, QC, 62.
TOMORROW: Sir Pairick Donner, 73; Mrs Pamela W. Maithews, 63; Dr A. L. Rowse, 74; Mr B. E. Sargeaunt, 100; Mr J. C. Trewin, 69; the Rev Professor C. J. M. Weir, 80.

Royal United Services Institute

General George S. Brown, Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Smff, addressed members of the Royal United Services Institute and their guests yesterday afternoon. Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Ashmore was in the chair and among those presents were:

Reception

Archbishop Helm
On the occasion of Dr John I.
Tanner's investiture as a Knight
Commander of the Order of St
Gregory the Great, Archbishop
Heim gave a reception yesterday
at the Apostolic Delegation.

Luncheons

HM Government
The Hon John Silkin, Minister of
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food,
was host at a luncheon given at
Lancaster House yesterday in
honour of Mr Brian Lenihan.
Minister for Fisheries of the
Republic of Ireland.

Lady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress entertained the following guests at luncheon at the
Mansion House yesterday.
Dame Elizabeth Ackruwd, thi President
toom. Sir Charles and Lady Crason. Sir Charles and Lady Trinder,
Lieutenant-Golonel. Sir Eric and Lady
Penn. Mir Hardy Amies, Sir John and
Lady Read, the Hon Mark and Mrs
wyndham, Major and Me, L. O. K
Purdie, Miss M. Reid and Major R. D.
Inchon. British Council

British Council
S'r John Llewellyn, DirectorGeneral of the British Council,
was bost at a loncheon held yesterday at 10 Spring Gardens in
honour of Dr C. E. Beeby, New
Zealand Council of Educational

Services tomorrow: Second Sunday after

Second Sunday after

Advent

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, HC. 45, 41, 10, 50, Rev M Manitoral, Rev C. 45, 50 in G. 46, 11 30 (Stanford in G.), 10, 50, Rev M Manitoral, Rev C. 45, 50 in G. 46, 11 30 (Stanford in G.), 11, 10 pop down to have no line of the control of the Competition in the record of the competition of the

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Edwards HC. 12.15.
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Commonion. (1.45. Rev A. Couch: M.
II 13. the vicat: E 6.30. Rev C.
Walker.
Walker.
HG. 8 and 10.30: Sung Eucharist. (1.50.
Rev J. P. HIII. M. 11.15. Rev A. F.
Davis, Thy word is a lantern (Purcell):

A way for Christians to honour an old debt to Judaism to most Jews in this country teen hundred years ago. The would, I suppose, he a mixture Christian faith is indelibly of guilt and relief; guilt, he dved with its Jewish origins. However we may define the essence of Christianity, its central doctrines or its unchangeable core, we cannot emanciably disgraceful; relief because they know that Jews are not pate it from its Jewish matrix. Jesus and every one of his apostles and Paul were Jews. longer and that they need not worry about them. In conse-The way in which Christians think about God is Jewish; the central source of piety for all Christians of all ages, the book of Psalms, is wholly Jewish. It was because the early church claimed, not only to succeed but to supersede Inda-

past has been almost inexcus-

persecuted in this country any

quence Jewish and Christian

people in this country for the

most part live tolerantly side

least as far as the Christians

are concerned. The relationship

between the two communities is

determined by the fact that, whereas the Jewish religion is

Forthcoming 198

Mr F. L. Beschizza and Miss P. A. Tross Youle

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The engagement is announced
between Franco, son of Mr and
Mrs Q. Beschizza, of Devonda
Road, Islington, and Penelope,
elder daughter of Mr and Mrs
C. H. Tross Youle, of Bix Bottom
Farm, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Robin Michael, son of Mr and Mrs G. S. Douglas, 5 Fairway, Clifton, York, and Jane Loveday, second daughter of Mr and Mrs C. F. Lowe, 16 Hill Rise, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Ruairidh Halford-MacLeod, Hill of Errol, Perth, and Ardvourlie, Isle of Harris, and Anne McDougall, Georgetown Schoolhouse, Randoch Station,

The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs R. Vollans, of Barnsley, Yorkshire, and Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Buckley, of Thorton-Cleveleys, Lancashire.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Kent, Chancellor of Surrey University, attends convocation for the conferment of higher degrees, 10.40.

Exhibitions: Queen's silver jubi-lee gifts, St James's Palace, 10-7; Burlington International Fine Art Fair, Royal Academy, Piccadilly, 10-6.

Lecture: Charles Lamb Society:
Dr D. G. Wilson on "Charles
Lamb—Madness?", Mary Ward
Centre, Tavistock Place, 2.30.

oncert: London Orpheus Choir and soloists with orchestra: Handel's "Samson", Queen Elizabeth Hall, 7.45.

Concert:

Tomorrow

Tower Hill station, 2.

Research. The High Commissioner for New Zealand was among the

HM Government
Dr David Owen, Secretary of
State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday
at a dinner at 1 Coriton Gardens
in honour of M Louis de Guiringaud, French Foreign Minister.
Among those present were:

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The French Ambarsadar, M Framenticurice, M Pagnilez, M Andread, M Mirtin, Sir Michael Palliser, Palliser, Protwolf and Vir Ewen Forgusson.

Woite Society
Lurd Astor of Hever, Lord Lieutenant of Kent, was the guest of honour at a dinner to commenorate the 250th anniversary of the hirth of Major-General James Wolfe held at Squertyes Court, Westerham, on Thursday night. Mr J. St A. Warde presided and among others necessar were Major-

Dinners

Wolfe Society

Mr R. Haiford-MacLeod and Miss A. McDougail

Mr T. Vollans and Miss S. E. Buckley

marriages

But this is not enough,

But the Jews refused to accept this logic and to co-operate with this historical programme. They survived; they continued to nurse their ism that its attitude to the Jews was so brural and so bitter. According to Christian logic, Judaism should have ceased to

appear, or be reduced to an insignificant munority, like the Samaritans. And the Christians for long did their best to ensure that history should go the way that they fall it should go by subjecting the Jews to permanent disabilities and to sporadic murder and expulsion.

religion and their culture : they successfully asserted their right to exist. Even the most widespread, well-organized and ruthless attempt to exterminate

against them in their early days. That cry put into the mouth "your existence is illegition of the Jewish crowd before mate!" For a long time it Pilate's tribunal by the first looked as if the Jews might disappear, or be reduced to an and on our children", no longer makes any sense. Christians second now wake

up to this fact and begin thinking about a new estimate of the theological significance of the Jews. Clearly God does not want them to disappear. The old policy of dismissing them as deicides is bankruot. How then. does God want Christians to regard Jews? This is a new. twentieth-century question to which, among all the questions which are arsailing their consciousness. Christians should address themselves.

Meanwhile it is worth noting that there is an enterprise in

leave the country for Israel and having been refused, are now subjected to undeserved and subjected to undeserved and ourrageous pains and penalties by the Soviet government. From December 4-11, when Jews throughout the world are celebrating the Festival of Chanukah, the Lighting of Lamos, a great effort is to be made in many countries throughout the world to draw attention to the rlight of these refusniks and to devise means of alleviating their plight. If Christians could take part in this campaign (and they are welcome to take it), they could perhaps light one small candle to compensate for the darkness that has in the past shrouded their ancestors' treatment of the Jewish people.

> R. P. C. Hanson University of Manchester



Some of the 8,000 birds at Alexandra Palace, London, yesterday for the opening of the threeday National Exhibition of Cage and Aviary Birds.

Six auction records at Old Masters sale

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
The impossibility of guessing at values was underlined at Christie's Old Master sale yesterday, On 53 pictures bidders were not prepared to go as high as Christie's had estimated, but in 37 cases they high beyond, sometimes far

had estimated, but m 3/ they bid beyond, sometimes far beyond, estimates. There were 116 Exhibition: The Bible in British Art. Victoria and Albert Museum, 2.30-6.
Cage and Awary Birds Show. Alexandra Paiace, 10-5.30.
Kensington Hilton Antiques Fair, Holland Park, 11-6.
Concert for Children: Prokofiev and songs and carols, Purcell Room, South Bank, 3.15.
Walks: Imperial Loudon, meet Westminster station, 11; Dicksns Christmas walk, meet Tower Hill station, 2. Six new auction record prices were established for individual artists. First was £240,000 (estimate £100,000 to £150,000) paid by D. Koetter for Pannin's "laterior of St Peter's, Rome". rerior of St Peter", Rome".

This is a large picture (57½m by 85½m) and it is large in coacept, with the great arches of the church dwarting the colourful stile figures at prayer or inconversation. There are several versions of the composition. This one was commissioned by the Duke of Kent in 1734 and had descended in his family. descended in his family.

The sum of £220,000 (estimate £200,000 to £250,000) paid for Lorenzo Lotto's "Madonna and Child with a donor and his wife" was also an auction record for the settlet but no made a fact water to the settlet. The following candidates were successful at the preliminary examination of the Law Society bold on November 7: S. G. Lansley, Rashida Ogilvie, Alice Schrader, T. J. Tappenden and T. D. Wallen. artist, but no surprise, since works by that distinguished contempor-

Regiment (The Chestrust Troop, B, B and HQ Batteries) Royal Horse Artillery held their annual Reunion dinner at the Royal Artillery Mess, Woolwich, last night. Field Marstral Sir Geoffrey

Baker was the guest of honour and Lieutenant-Colonel J. M.

The Royal Tank Regiment officers

The Royal Tank Regiment officers' dinner to commemorate the antiversity of the Battle of Cambrai, November 20, 1917, was held at the RAC Officers' Mess, Bovington Camp, last night, by courtery of the Commandant, RAC Centre. Lieutenant-General Sir Allen Taylor, Representative Colonel Commandant, presided. Major-General P. R. C. Hobart and Major-General P. R. C. Hobart and Major-General J. G. R. Allen (colonels commandant) attended and the guests included Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Ford, Major-General R. Lyon and Brigadier C. H. Robertson.

E. 6.30. Rev L. L. Robses, Comfort ye. my people (Flandel).

ST MARY'S. Bourne Survet: LM. 8.

0.15 and 7 pm: HM. 11, Rev Dr Brian Horne (Cascolini in a muser). Rorste coed (Synt) EBONE PARIESH CHURCH: HC 8. 11. Rev D. Painter, Missa 2 4 vucibus (Byrd). Ave Maria (Archdon); E. 6.30.

ST MICHAEL'S. Cheeser Semane: RC. 8.15: M. 11. Rev E. G. M. Saunders: 6. Rev A. Parison.

ST PAUL'S. Wilton Place, Knightheider (HC, 8 and 9: Solemn Eucharist. 11 (Jockson in G). Rev O. B. Harris. ST PAUL'S. Bedford Street. Covent Orden: SE. 11.15. Rev J. Arrowsmill. PAUL'S. Robert Adom Street. MG. 8.30: M. 11. Rev R. K. Towning: ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chessal: HC, 8 and 12.15: M. 11: E. 6.30. Rev O. R. Clarke.

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CESSEX UNITARIAN CHURCH: 11
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humanists. 112 Paince Cardens Terrace. Kenslmadon.

THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street.

Mass. 7.00, R.30. 10, 11 [smg]: 3.15
and 6.15: Noon, Falter Poler Model.

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Royal Tank Regiment

Mr J. St A. Warde presided and among others present were Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, Lieutenant-General Sir William Scotter and Major-General J. C. Woollett.

Service dinners

Ist Regiment Royal Horse Artillery
Past and present members of 1st

Son.

203 Squadron, RAF
The Communiting Officer and officers of No 203 Squadron, RAF, who are disbanding this month, were dired out by members of the Officers' Mess, RAF Luqa (Malta) yesterday evening. Wing Communiter W. E. Kirk presided and the principal guest was Wing Commander J. H. Carter, Officer Commanding No 203 Squadron.

churches and museums and do not appear on the market.

A small still like of flowers of Roelandt Savery which went to Minchell et £80,000 (estimate £30,000 to £40,000) was another record breaker. Flowers are perennisity popular and it was perings more surprising that a Pieter Chesa still life of food and drink on a table went to Koetser at the same price and drink on a table went to Koetser at the same price (estimate £25,000 to £35,000).

A late, unfinished, Guido Reni, "Moses and Pharaoh's Crown", covered with the dirt of ages but fileutified by Christie's as by that artist, made £75,000 (estimate £4,000 to £5,000). It is a mystery picture with great possibilities under the dirt, and another

230,000) and Alexander Galleries paid the same price for a fine Carlevaris view of Vendoe (estimate £50,000 to £60,000).

Two high flyers failed to find buyer, a Franca Post at £65,000 (estimate £30,000 to £120,000) and a Pierer Breughel the Younger at £30,000 (astimate £50,000 to £120,000 to £15,000) and a George III flour-pedestal mahogany dining table made the same price (estimate £4,000 to £6,000). In Hongkong on Thursday Sotheby's sold mineteenth-cutry Chinese porcelain and furniture for a total of £144,982, with 20 per cent unsold.

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Stubbs target

By Our Arts Reporter

The Tate Gallery said yesterday it was confident that the remaining £40,000 needed to purchase the two Stubbs paintings, "Haymakers" and "Reapers", would be raised by Christmas.

Its appeal has brought in £100,000 and the first of its two lotteries has been fully subscribed at £40,000. Apart from the second lottery, the other main

scribed at £40,000. Apart from the second lottery, the other main money-raising effort will be an auction conducted by Bonham's on Thursday.

The Government has promised marching grants of £190,000. The total purchase price for the two works is £774,000.

From The Times of Wednesday, December 3, 1952.

of the type a little further", he said. The type now found bridged the, gap between well-known South African apensen and the Swardraus, Sterktontein, Taungs, Kroomdraai, Makapan man.

25 years ago

Earliest true man

E80,000). The sale totalled £1,955,200, with 10 per cent, or about a shird of the pictures, unsold.

A two-day sale of sliver and jewels held by Christle's in Rome finished yesterday, having totalled £200,918, with 44 per cent unsold. So theby's sale of fine English furniture totalled £227,930, with 14 per cent, but only 10 lots unsold. Their mein discustry lay with an entraordinary pair of tortotseshell veneured commodes of about 1780, which were bought in at £12,500 (estimate £12,000 to £16,000).

artist, made £75,000 (estimate £4,000 to £5,000). It is a mystery picture with great possibilities under the dirt, and another auction record.

Leger's paid an anotion record price for a shipping scene by Willem van de Veide the Younger at £75,000 (estimate £20,000 to £30,000) and Alexander Galleries £10,000 to £15,000) and a George III four nederal mahogany dirings and the earne pairs for a fine pair of £10,000 to £15,000 and a George III four nederal mahogany dirings and the earne pairs for a fine \$10,000 to £15,000 and a George III four nederal mahogany dirings

Gallery confident | Latest wills

Latest wills

Mrs Nellie Dora Bryan, of Putney,
London, left fi90,230 net. Afterpersonal and other bequests she
left the residue equally between
the Imperial Cancer Research
Fund, the Sumshine Pund for
Blind Babies and Young People,
Royal Masonic Hospital, Chestare
Foundation, and Royal School for
Deaf Children, Margate.
Mr Lestle Pritchard, of Wadhurst,
Sussex, managing director of
Gallaher Ltd, left £198,976 net.
Other estates include (net, before
tax paid; tax not disclosed):
Biake, Mr. James Edward, of
Weston-under-Redcascle, Saloo
£127,025
Charlestearth, Mr Bickerd Chulle

Weston-under-Redcastle, Salob £127,025
Charlesworth, Mr Richard Charles, of Church Mioshull, Cheshire £100,519
Dickson, Miss Akix Maud, of Burwash, Sustex £155,973
Goldwater, Mrs Irene, of Hendon, London ... £142,851
Hawes, Miss Katharine Isabel Amy Fox, of Havant, Hampshire £120,485
Wild, Mr William Michael, of Wild, Mr William Michael, of Vetherby, solicitor .. £146,499

RAF graduates

Earliest true man
From Our Correspondent
Pretoria, Der 2.—A discovery has
been made at the Transvaal
Museum where the late Dr Robert
Broom, the palacontologist,
worked for so long, which throws
further light on the history of man.
This is a specimen of an upper Jaw
of what is believed to be the earliest true man ever discovered. Mr
J. T. Robinson, who succeeded Dr
Broom at the museum, descrived
today how the specimen had been
found at Swartkraus some years
ago but had been cleaned only
during the past two weeks.

"Scientists have been sceptical
about our conclusions in regard
to telanthroups (completed man)
but this confirms earlier deducsions and extends our knowledge
of the type a itile forther", he At the graduation of No 318 Course, Yellow Squadron, at the RAF Officer Cader Training Unit. Henlow, on Thursday the overseastudent's prize was presented to Lieutenant A. Al-Merri, of the Qatar Air Force Other overseas graduates were: graduates were:
Sultanale of Oman Air Force: Pilot
Officers A. O. Al Ambri, Said Bin
Sultan S. Muscat: M. E. S. Si-Bary,
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Al-Merri, Technical Sec S. Doba,
Crow H. Solon Every Second Lieutenant
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Zambia.

University news Laughborough

Dr D. J. Gerhard to be Deputy
Master of the Royal Mint in succession to Mr J. R. Christle, who
retires on December 31.
Mr T. E. Nodder to be Deputy
Secretary, Department of Health
and Social Security, in charge of
the Services Development Group
from Largest 1.

Gray monument

By a Staff Reporter
The National Trust's appeal for \$10,000 to seve the monument to Thomas Gray at Stoke Poges, where he wrote his Elergy Written in a Country Churchyard, has reached its mental because of rising costs and attituded decay in the stone sarrophagus has been ryuman we opened.

The stone sarrophagus has been partially dismantied, and a reinforced concrete ring-beam is about to be installed free of charge by the Cement and Concrete Association to replace the badly corroded from supports: Repairs should be finished early in the new year.

new year.

Gray's Field will then be improved by removing the dead elms and o'her traes killed in lest year's drought and planting screens of mixed hardwoods.

The following have been elected Benchers of Liucoln's Jun: Mr. R. Gerebouse, QC, and Mr. R. B. Hokroyd Pearce, QC.

Latest appointments:

Latest appointments include :

Lincoln's Inn.

fund needs

further £400

the Services Development Group from January 1, in succession to Mr P. Benner, who assumes responsibility for the MIS Personnel Group on the retirement of Mr R. Gedling.

Mr Peter Wharton, district architect for West Norfolk, to be county architect for Powys.

Mr David Mawson to be architect to Norwich Cathedral; Mr Keith Darby to be deputy architect.

Mr G. B. R. Fellden, Director-General, British Standards Institution, to be chairman of the Visibing Committee for the Royal College of Art in place of Sir Peter Noble, who has retired; Mrs Elsbeth R. Juda, Mr Ruari McLean, and Professor J. E. C. T. White to be members of the committee for one year.

Memorial meeting

mittee for one year.

Memorial meeting for Dr Romaid MacKeith was held yesterday at the Cooway Hall, Red Lion Square. The speakers were Dr Philip Evans, Dr Barbara Reans, Dr John Apley, Dr David Morris, Sister Audrey Croum, the Rev Dr Robert Winnett, Dr Paul Polani, Dr Stephen MacKeith, Dr Anna Freud, Dr Mery Steridan, Dr Dorothy Egan, Dr Michael Joseph, Miss H. Theisen, Mrs Evelyn Kelly, Dr Afice Roughton add Dr Dermid MacCerthy.

of cultural, scientific and technical relations at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, will receive an honorary Doctorate of Lexters. The honorary degree of Doctor of Science will be conferred on Sir Paul Reilly, director of the Design Council, on December 16. Professor Jean Laloy, director general A. H. Scott, BSc, PhD, Education.

Science report

Medicine: Theory on schizophrenia

Evidence supporting the theory that schizophrenia has a biochemical basis has come front a post-mortem study of the brains of patients with the disease. The findings, a report in The Lancet says, are consistent with the hypothesis that the disordered mental function of schizophrenics is due to an excess of dopamine a chemical concerned in the transmission of nerve impulses in some regions of the brain.

The Medical Research Council neurochemical unit at Cambridge carried out tests on 41 brains taken from schizophrenic patients and on 60 taken from mentally a chemical disturbance in the same that the schizophrenia is primarily due to a chemical disturbance in the same that the brains of the patients with the brains from the stites believed to be affected in achizophrenia. Dopamine concentrations were substantelly raised while those of two other substantes, glutamic concentrations were substantelly raised while those of two other substantes, glutamic concentrations were substantelly raised while those of two other substantes, glutamic concentrations were substantelly raised while those of two other substantes, glutamic concentrations were substantelly raised while those of two other substantelly raised while those of two other substantelly raised while those of the severity of the mental distinction, raised to the patients with chronic schapes in the patients.

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OBITUARY

WING CMDR HARRY DAY Stalag Luft III escape survivor

Wing Commander Harry Day, who died in the Blue Sisters' Hospital, Malta, yesterday, at the age of 79, was an historic example of the indominatable efficient in the armed forces. officers in the armed forces who, as prisoners-of-war, were threatened with execution, but flung defiance in the face of German captors, and broke out of prison camp. He escaped on nine occasions.

Harry Melville Arburhnot Day, a pre-war CO of RAF Kenley, and later an acting Group Captain, was 41 when the Blenheim reconnaissance bomber he was piloting was shot down in October 1939 near Langweiler, Germany and, al-shough his wound caused pro-longed suffering he was ill-treated and hamiliated by his SS captors. As senior British officer at a POW camp near Prankfurt-am-Main be organized his own escape and that of 17 others. When recaptured he organized further escapes from several camps and regarded by the Germans as dangerous, was moved to a camp in Poland.

From that point began his most notable feats. In Stalag Laft III, at Sagan, he helped to organize the famous and trasi-escape of 76 officers through a 336fr tunnel, equipped—as Mr Hillary St. George Saunders re-corded in the officially-commis-sioned tistory The Royal Air. Force 1939-45 vol III with air

pumps, electric light and a trolley railway.

Day and his small party were not among the main body, who were recaptured and shot on the orders of Hitler, under the the orders of Hitter, under the pretence of having resisted arrest or attempted to escape again. The butchery by the Gestapo of so gallant a band proclaimed aloud to the world the panic into which the Nazi leaders had fallen ... and ... inspired the whole Royal Air Force with a yet fiercer resolve to speed the enemy's downfall. Prom their graves, as from their prison camps, the murdered men fought on."

Day and his companions were

taken to the camp, equally grim in its threat of extermination at Sachsenhausen. Again he escaped, and this time was caught by the SD civilian force not by the SS, and probably owed his life to the clamour over the Sagan shootings, Reand his companions were given a stiff dose of death block tactics at Sachsenhausen—he was chained to the floor of h's cell for a week and underwent six long interrogations in manacles.

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Mr Sydney Smith, in his book Wings Day (1968) states, that another factor in the Ger. mans' minds may have been that they had an inkling of the intelligence service which Day ran between POW camps and the Air Ministry—" coded mes. sages by post conveying valuable information gleaned from German guards and brought in by succeeding batches of prisoners". The information in one British prisoner's wellcoded letter to an aunt, which passed through the hands of

passed through the hands of an obtuse camp censor, meant nothing to her and she sem it to the Air Ministry.

Day's hour nearly came, how-ever, when sent off with others in coaches for Italy by way of the Brenner Pass, to be liquidated with grenades in a convenient air raid. Day's coach ran out of fuel. He confused and frightened the SS guards by contacting Italian partisans and brought about a rescue by a United States unit.

At the end of 1945 Day was awarded the DSO and the OBE (Military Division). It required nearly three more years and scrion by the Ombudsman to secure from the Foreign Office compensation for that part of his sufferings in the Sachsenhausen death camp. In 1971 Wing Commander Day organ-ized a thank-offering in the form of a plaque commemorat-ing the kindness shown by a former Germen camp com-mander at Stalag Luft III, Colonel von Lindeiner-Wildau, and local people.

MR J. STUART DANIEL

A correspondent writes: Those who knew Joba Stuart Daniel, QC, in his Merton days remember a men of immense remember a men of mancine charm and great promise. As an undergraduate he appeared in the early thirties in Alexan-der Korda's film about Oxford, der Korda's film about Oxford, Men of Tomorrow. He was just beginning to establish himself at the Common Law Ber when the war swept him, with others, away from the Temple for five years. After service in the Army, which took him to the Par East, he returned—like those among his contemporaties who had survived—to resublish himself in practica in a greatly changed world. The going was at first tough.

With the inspired help and encouragement of his telented second wife (whom he had married during the war) he married during the war) he decided to specialize in the fields of building and planning lew—then expanding rapidly. His statuesque presence and a culetty elegant manner com-bined to make him an ex-

Lords.
At the high tide of his practising career, there appeared unmistakable warnings that his physique was being overtaxed. Thus it was that he submitted to medical advice to seek a less strenuous role.

An opening occurred in 1967
when he was appointed a member of the Lands Tribunal. The work underteken by the tri-bused is little known to the general public. It is, in fact, of high importance. In this sphere Stuart Daniel found a natural milieu, and to it he made a sustained abundant couribupelied to retire. He never compelied to retire. He never complained that ill-health had deprived him of opportunities which his standing and ability would have rightly entitled him to entertain. To the end he remained a contract he remained a stoic.

late courts, up to the House of

He is survived by a son of his first marriage, a daughter of his second marriage and his devoted third wife. But the

MR KNUD JESPERSEN

Mr Knud Jespersen, chairman of the Danish Communist Party since 1958, died yesterday aged 51. He had been ill for some time and recently under-went a spinal operation.

went a spinal operation.

Jespersen was a virtually unknown trade union official from Jurland when he became a member of the Communist Party's central committee in 1950. Eight years later he was the natural successor to Mr Aksel Larsen and is widely credited with having engineered the division in the central committee in which Larsen and other prominent party members. other prominent party members were excluded, after which they formed the People's Socialist

As a politician Jespersen had MR D. M. EVANS

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Mr David Morgan Evans,
who was a Barrister on the
Wales and Chester Circuit, died
on November 21 at the age of
85. Educated at Llandovery
College and Jesus College, Oxford; he served the First World
War in the Artists' Rifles and
the Welth Regiment and with
the Egyptish Expeditionary
Force. He was called to the
Bar by Gray's Inn and had
served as Deputy Chairman of
Cardiff Cuarter Sessions and
Legel Chairman of Cardiff
Circy's Rent Tribunal. He married in 1924, Mary Gwynydd,
second daughter of Thomas
Lloyd. They had three sons,
one of whom died, and a
daughter

Lady Oakes widow of Sir Sydney Oakes Br. died on Nov 14. She was Grera, daughter of Gusmar Victor Hartmann, and she was married in 1948. Her husband died in 1966. She was honorary Royal Danish Consul of the Bahamas.

harles Tolonel Lieutenant - Colonel Ralph Charles Bingham, CVO, DSO, died on November 4 aged 92. He won his DSO in the First World War and was Clerk of the Cheque and Adjutant of the Yeomen of the Guard from 1950 to 1955.

Air Commodore George Wil-liam Birkinshaw, CB, who died on October 22 ar the age of 81, was Director of Repair and Maintanance, Ministry of Supply, 1943-46, and Senior Technical Staff Officer, RAF HQ India, 1946-47.

Lady Chenevix Trench, widow of Lieut-Colonel Sir Richard Chenevix Trench, CIE, OBE, died on November 14. She was Evelyn May, only child of Captain H. S. Pocklington and she was married in 1913. Her hasband died in 1954.

After taking silk in 1961 he was soon engaged in heavy arbitrations over building contracts at bome and abroad, as wall as litigation in the appelconsiderable appeal among Danish trade unionists and although his party is one of the most orthodox in Europe, closely echoing Moscow policies and evolding any firm position

closely echoing Moscow policies and avoiding any firm position on Eurocommunism, his personal appeal was largely responsible for bringing Communists back into the Danish Folketing in the December 1973 election for the first time since 1957, Jespersen, who leaves a widow and two children, was in his youth an active member of the Danish resistance movement and was injured during intercaand was injured during interce-gation by Nazi occupation forces in Denmark. His father, also active in the resistance move-ment med in Neuengamme con-centration camp in 1944.

Prebendary Murray Holt Macleod, vicar of Southerne, diocese of London from 1958, and prebendary of Sr Paul's Cathedral from 1972, died on Nov 30.

Mr Arthur Stowers, who died on Nov 30 was formerly Keeper of the Department of Mechanical and Civil Engineering. Science Museum, South Keysington. He was president of the Newcomen Society 1955-57. He was 30. He was 80.

Milos Crajanski, the Serbisa poet and novelist, died in Belgrade on November 30. He was 84. He lived in London and other west European capitals during and after the war before returning to Yugoslavia.

Lady Bodley Scott, wife of Sir Ronald Bodley Scott, Physician to the Queen 1952-73, died on October 31. She was Daphne, daughter of Lieur-Col E. McCarrhy, RMA, and she was married in 1934.

Colonel William Pringle, MC, who died on October 22 at the age of 79, was a Deputy Lieutenant and Justice of the Peace for Middlesex, and honorast Colonel of the 7th Banalion, The Middlesex Regiment. Dr Robert Rutherford, 3

Deputy Lieutenant for co Durham, a Justice of the Peace and regional commander of the St. John Ambulance Brigade from 1969, died on October 20.

Lady Jones, wife of the Hon Sir Kenneth Jones, died on October 17. She was Duice; younger daughter of T. W. Thurshold, and she was married in 1947.

Mr Simon Broome, who became steward of Christ Church, Oxford, in August, has died at the age of 46. He was formerly managing director of the Stat-ford Hotel, London

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BUSINESS NEWS



of chocolate

Commission

Cadbury Schweppes Foods

became the first of the big food processing companies apart from Tate and Lyle to come under the microscope of the

Price Commission's new investi-

gatory powers yesterday.

The investigation was promp

ted by the company's notifica-tion of a price rise which, if

tion of a price rise winch, if taken across a range of products including chocolate biscuits, drinking chocolate, cocoa and Bournvita as well as table jebbes (marketed under the Chivers brand name) and powdered desserts, averages over 7 per cent, The Commission is mainly concerned about the increases in the cocoa-based braducts in relation to increases

products in relation to increases in the world market price of

A taste

pean Commission would use the powers it has under the Treaty of Rome to cerb national subsidization of the industry.

The commission's proposals for modernizing and restructuring the shipbuilding will be among the subjects discussed summit meeting here on Monday and Tuesday. The hope in Brussels is that the summit will by heads of government at their by heads of government at their indicate general political approthe commission's

Speaking at a press conference, Viscoust Etienne Davignon, the EEC commissioner res-ponsible for industrial policy, said that most national aid hitherto had been eimed at keeping unviable shipyards in business. In future such assist-ance, would be acceptable only to the extent that it clearly promoted retionalization.

If any members hed doubts but the commission's powers in this matter, they should "go and reread the Treaty of Rome". Viscount Devignon said. He also gave a strong him that the commission would not approve seain the kind of subsidized credit deal that made possible the recent British sale of ships worth £125m to Poland.

sively cheap rates:
If the EEC could reduce its
present production capacity of
about 4.4 million tonnes to
about 2.4 million tonnes by 1980

there was a chance that Com-munity shippards could be competitive. Viscount Davignon said. This implied that the number of people employed in the indus-try—currently about 165,000— would have to be reduced by 10,000 to 15,000 annually for the

10,000 to 15,000 annually for the next five years or so.

Although the cost of creating new jobs for those made redundant would be high, it would be no higher than the cost of protecting existing shipbuilding jobs which in the end would prove unviable envery, the commissioner maintained.

He said be hoped that some £20m would be available in next year's EEC budget to subsidize rebates of the interest sidize rebates of the interest charged on BEC loans worth £140m to help finence rationali-

Viscount Davignon said the commission was also proposing that foreign vessels using EEC ports should be required to observe the same strict stan-dards as the Community's own merchant fleets, particularly in respect of safety requirements and the remunerations and working conditions of crews.

The EEC's share of world trade had risen to 37 per cent, he said, and 90 per cent of the commerce with the rest of the world depended on sec.

we stand relative to the Polish

tude at Govan.
Outfit workers at Swan

Hunter have appealed for any ships transferred because of in-

dustrial trouble at the yard to

be blacked. As a result of the

still to be re-assigned and no announcement is expected for

about a week although officials

world depended on sec trans-port. Yet the Nine's share of the world merchant shipping fleet had declined to no more than 20 per cent, compared with 33.5 per cent in 1960. This

By Peter Hill

British Shipbuilders less night
respired the immeritainty over would be issued after the meeting of the seven ships which will remove any form part of the £52m Polish doubt in anyone's mind where

might be relaxed, Mr Ushios said: "As in the case of most countries, it is also a hot political issue in Japan."

He claimed that Japan's volume of exports is expected to decline next spring when the current sharp 22 per cent appreciation in the value of the yen begins to undermine Japan's interpational competi-

declared that the world should not expect any immediate or dramatic reduction in Japan's projected trade surplus of \$17,000m this year.

"Let me say now that a 100 per cent solution will not be possible. That should not be the

overtime ban some 700-800 steel-workers are likely to receive redundancy notices shortly. The Swan Hunter outfitters are seek-ing rises of £7 a week to give them parity with steelworkers in the sand aim.
Referring to demands of west in the yard. Four of the bulk carriers have

Tokyo plan for trade concessions ready soon

From Peter Hazelhurst Tokyo, Dec 2

designed to liberalize imports and reduce Japan's surplus with the United States and Europe, will be presented to Washington this month. Mr. Nobeliko Ushiba, Minister of State for External Recognic Affairs, said-

Drawn up hurriedly this week to ward off the growing threat of protectionism in the United States, the bilateral concessions will in effect be granted on a multilateral basis to Japan's trading partners.

Mr 1966 by Advanced to the protection of the protection of

Mr Ushiba declared: The deal will apply to all of Japan's tracking partners. We will specifically take into consideration items in which European nations have expressed inter-

Mr Ushiba bished that the proposed concessions might con-tain tariff reductions of about 20 per cent and raise quotas on an unspecified number of im-

port items.

There could also be financial There could also be financial measures to encourage and assist Japanese importers.

Mr Ushiba a former ambas sador to the United States, was installed in the cabinet on Monday as the Prime Minister's new roving trouble-shooper on international trade.

The United States is expected to suffer a \$7.000m (above)

to suffer a \$7,000m (about £3,899m) descrit in trade with Japan this year, and in recent months Washington has warned. Tokyo of the dangers of pro-tectionist moves in the United. States Congress. Mr Ushiba said Japan would

also use other measures to reduce the nation's embarrassing surplus, because speculative trading on the appreciating value of the yen had threatened the future of Japanese ex-

The minister said that apart from proposed concessions to Washington, the Japanese Gov-ernment would set \$3,000m

ernment would set \$3,000m aside to purchase emergency imports — mainly off, raw materials, and possibly aircraft — from the United States.

He said details of the proposed concessions will be completed on Tussday. "I will definitely carry them to Washington to enter into negociations with the United States before the end of the year", he promised.

Pointing out that restrictions

tive power. At the same time, Mr Ushiba

ern industrialized nations that Japan should raise its ratio of manufactured imports from 20 per cent to 40 per cent of total imports, Mr Ushiba said foreign exporters will also have to make extra efforts to penetrate the

Money supply fears eased by rise of only \$183m in official reserves

last month in contrast to the Bank in earlier months. huge rises in previous months when the Bank of England was ourably to the figures. There taking dollars into the reserves as it sold sterling to hold down the value of the pound.

During November Britain's holdings of gold and foreign \$163m (£101m) to \$20,394m (£11,227m). The rise, which takes the reserves to a new record is the smallest for six months ·

or repayment of public sector

epresent some net intervention n the foreign exchange market, where the Bank of England has been detected on a small scale during the month.

showed only a slight increase dollar purchases made by the

The gilt market reacted favwas relief that such a small

per cent against the dollar and by 1.3 per cent in effective

over the pay round soon sent There were no identified official transactions and no drawing of England deliberately kept or of the market the first time last mouth that the pound lost ground in the hope that a sud-den, sharp drop in the rate would dampen further specula-

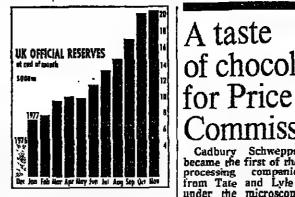
Britain's official reserves maturing of some of the forward that has switched out of dollars thought only a slight increase dollar purchases made by the and now Deutschemarks.

It is not yet clear what the Government's policy towards the pound will be next year. A current account surplus on the rise would not put further pressure on the money supply.

Since the Bank changed its intervention tactics on October 31; the pound has risen by 2.7

Editorial account surplus on the balance of payments will mean that there will typically be an excess demand for pounds. Foreigners will be spending more on British goods than they earn in Britain.

If private capital flows do not counteract the current surplus, the Government will have to choose between allowing a steady exchange rate apprecia-tion and intervening in the markets to supply the extra
pounds needed by foreigners.
The dollar was again very
weak yesterday. It touched
record lows of DM2.2015 and 2.1325 Swiss francs.
Support from the West German Federal Bank helped the dollar in the afternoon.



The following are the figures for the United Kingdom's official

End of period	\$m	£m	month Sm
1977			
Jan	7,196	4,196	+3.067
Feb	7.787	4,546	+591
March	9,618	5,592	+1.831
April	10,130	5,892	+512
May	9,901	5,760	229
June	11,572	6.727	+1,671
July	13,422	7.725	+1,850
Aug	14.852	8,521	+1,430
Sept	17,171	9,826	+2.319
Oct	20.211	10.987	+3.040
Nov	20,394	11,227	+183

Seagram is

hoping for

Glenlivet

Shares of Glenliver Distillers

jumped 20p to 490p last night on news that takeover talks are to continue with the Canadian Seagram organization.

Earlier this month Seagram, which claims to be the world's

largest producar and marketer of distilled spirits and wines, launched a 440p a share hid for Glenlivet after acquiring a 27 per cent stake in the company from Courage, the brewery business of Imperial Grean

The Seagram bid values Glenlivet at £34m compared with last night's stock market

employees and customers for Glenlivet to remain an indepen-

dent company.

However, they were prepared to continue talks if Seagram gave satisfactory written safe-suards concerning the continued employment of all staff

capitalization of over £38m.

Mr Harry Levery managing director of the division in charge of the products, said last night that the increases were based on a rise in raw material

costs.

Representing over 70 per cent of the retail price of drinking chocolate and cocoa, these have quadrupled over approximately two years. The company says it believes the increases are fully justified, and is applying immediately for an interim price increase under the safe-

guard clauses of the price control legislation. Cadbury dominates the mar-ket for drinking chocolate and cocoa. It also has a large share, estimated at over 60 per cent of the chocolate bar market, although confectionery products are not specifically included in the investigation. In biscuits, while overall it has a small proportion of sales, in the chocolate coated sector its fin-ger and animal shaped biscuits bring it into close competition with United Biscuits, the market

The price of some chocolste products has already been increased by over 30 per cent this year. The last increase for some of the Cadbury products included in the latest providers to the continue implementation. Yesterday's developments involved an announcement from Glankivet board that they did not welcome the Seagram approach, considering it in the best interest of shareholders, notification was implemented in September. If, after its investigation the

commission concludes that an increase is not justified, while it cannot roll back any interim rises, it can recommend that prices are frozen at that level for up to 12 months.

Unlike the old price control structure, the new commission has considerable discretion in to manufacturing costs.

and employment of all stars and employees and the future status of the company.

Mr Philip Beekman, Sea-gram's president, replied from Montreal that the "appropriate assurances" would be forthinvestigations, based on the principle of allocating re-sources, have so far been ssourances
coming.
Meanwhile Suntory, Japan's
leading distiller, which has an
11 per cent stake in Glenlivet
has so far given no indication directed at companies operating within areas where a few firms have a high concentration of has so far given no indication whether it may emerge as a counter-bidder. Seagram has close business links with Gienlivet and has distributed the group's famous 12-year-old mait whisky Gienlivet's profits last year rose from £2.18m to £3.36m, and in the first half of this year closes of the half of this year closes of the first half of this year closes of the first half of this year closes of the first half of this year closes. An assessment of the likely impact of the Price Commission on food manufacturers pro-

duced by stockbrokers Capel-

that five firms hold over 83 per

cent of sales of cocoa products Patricia Tisdall

This seems to have been successful, and trading has kept at \$1.8205, unchan within fairly narrow limits tive terms at 63.3. Sterling closed 30 points up \$1.8205, unchanged in effec-Mr Healey expected to keep open

1978 targets after IMF visit By Our Economics Staff
The visiting team from the International Monetary Fund ended its wto weeks of talks fo.000m. However, the Treasury with the Government yesterday.
A letter from Mr Heeley, the Chancellor, to the Fund in Washington is expected within a few weeks. It will set out the rerus of the understanding.

Although to its row we clear.

the terms of the understanding reached in the talks, which concentrated on the performance of the British economy during the year since the IMF ogreed to provide a \$3,900m standby credit facility and on policies to be adopted next year.

Mr Healey and the Tressury have been most unwilling to see converted into firm ceilings the "central estimates" for both public borrowing and domestic contained in the official Letter of Intent signed lost year. of Intent signed lost year.
The estimates contained in the

was zest.im derow the level expected in the sectors covered by the cash limits system, which govern the great major-ity of public spending.

Figures released by the Treasury yesterday show that instead of £13,276.4m, the Government spent only £12,845.1m, or 963 per cent of the amount expected.

expected.

The figures suggest that the Government will end up spending less than it planned this year, just as it did in 1976-77. But the fact that some spending departments may adopt a more expenditure-triented approach during the second half of the year now that they know that they are in little danger of breaching the limits could mean that the final gap between planning and results is less than might be expected on the basis of the present figures.

All departments except one have either underspent or only just reached the total allo-cated to them for "pay and

general administrative ex-pense" during the first half

The exception is, embarrass-

ingly, the Treasury, part of whose job it is to police the spending of the other depart-

Treasury argument is that

the comparison between actual and planned spending is done on the basis of "profiles" of likely spending, and that in the case of themselves the profile has surged out to underweight

as turned out to underweight

the expenditure in the first half

There is no doubt, however,

that if any other department had found itself in the same

position some searching ques-tions would have been asked.

The Secret Service, which also comes out of a Treasury

vote, also overspent slightly on

The fact that the Government

has underspent in the first half of the financial year has been one of the elements depressing activity in the economy.

Supplementary estimates: The Government has put in supple-

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pense" during

of the year.

question of what money supply targets to set for next year. There has been intense debate

on this within the Bank of England and the Treasury in

since changes in the money supply are determined by DCE and the surplus on the balance of payments, the final agreement on DCE will set the bounds for the growth of money supply even though the Fund is not directly concerned with money targets.

The Treasury feels that it should set next year's money supply targets only when it has a cleaver picture of what will happen to wasse, which intro-

a clearer picture of what will happen to wages, which intro-duces one argument for delay. Another is consinued uncer-tainty about how large a sur-plus the United Kingdom will have on the balance of pay-ments next year, with the Bank being more optimistic than the

Spending by | Unilever nearer bid for American group

bave crystallized on National Starch and Chemical Corpora-tion, the New Jersey-based manufacturer of adhesives, manufacturer of adhesives, resins, and industrial chemicals. After the suspension of National Starch shares at \$442

valuing the company at around £165m. Unilever confirmed that it was in talks that could lead to it making on offer for National Starch. Sir David Orr, chairman of Unilever, has never made any secret of the fact that he regards the group's low exposure in the fast growing United States market as a gap to be

filled.

Since 1970 the proportion of operating profits from America has steadily dropped from 15 to 9 per cent.

Two months ago Unilever was linked with a possible takeover

of Gerber Products, the baby foods concern, and though it has never confirmed its inten-tious towards Gerber the talks with National Starch would seem to preclude this takeover. Unilever's existing interests in the United States are the Lipton tea and packet food sub-sidiary and the Lever detergents group whose combined sales last year were some £870m.

promised.

Pointing out that restrictions on the imports of farm products might be relaxed, Mr Ushlba was \$431.1m below the level United States now appears to prefix a detergents of the imports of farm products first balf of this financial year united States now appears to prefix American detergents of the importance of the product of market and is presently under-going a large capital spending programme to increase capacity and efficiency. efficiency.

Because of a possible conflict with United States anti-trust suthorities, it also looks as though Unitever has decided to concentrate its efforts away from foods and desergents since despite sizable chemical business there is very little overlap at present with many of National Starch's activities.

Turnover less year at National Sparch, the 39th largest chemi-cal group in the United States, was \$339m and not profits

Speculation that Unilever would use the takeover as an apportunity to raise its dividend heiped push the shares 10p higher to 538p.

Unilever has this year already had an application to raise its dividend turned down by the Treasury and is known to be keen to increase it, as dividends are being stored up under the equalization agreement with the Dutch side.

A price tag of £200m plus is not exepcted to cause too many problems as Unilever is relatively undergeared.

Mr Dell says our trade with Middle East is in surplus

Britain's trade with the Middle East is in surplus, Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, said in London yester.

day.

By any standards this is a considerable achievement. The hauliers were holding customers relative importance of the to ransom.

Middle East for our export trade has doubled in less than four years", he told a con-ference on transporting ference on transporting materials and components to the Middle East organized by the Association of Building Component Manufacturers. Mr Dell singled out the construction industry for special mention. It had, he said, played

fields and through the exercise of participation options, Dr J. Dickson Mabon, Minister of

State for Energy, stated in a

Britain's road hauliers were

urged last night to cooperate

fully with the Price Commission

investigation of the industry so

that "the real truth " could be fairly established. Mr John Silbermann, national vice-chair-

man of the Road Haulage Association, said it was often wrongly felt that the road

Commons answer yesterday.

Call to hautiers

a major role in Britain's export mentary estimates of £1,998m for public spending, of which £1,448m are caused by increased pay and prices. The suppleeffort. In the Middle East last year it won new orders valued mentary estimates order is of no practical significance and Boost for state oil reflects no change in policy. The Pritish National Oil Corporation (BNOC) by early next

Onshore oil hunt

British Gas, Shell UK and Clyde Petroleum have been awarded a total of 12 onshore licences to prospect for oil and gas in areas of the country totalling almost 4,000 sq kilometres.

The licences, announced by the Department of Energy yesterday authorize the searching for oil and gas by prospecting and geological survey including drilling to not more than 350 metres.

But the companies will not be allowed to drill for or pro-duce oil and gas. They will also have to gain permission from land owners and, where necessary, planning permission.

In brief

West German jobless Unemployment in West Germany topped a million again last month, largely reflecting

the onser of winter.

Herr Josef Stingl, the president of the Federal Labour Office, told a press conference in Nuremberg that the total number of unemployed in-creased by 49,900 to 1,004,300 at the end of November. The percentage of jobless in the working population rose to 4.4

Banks rescue plan decade could have access to about 25 million tonnes of United Kingdom Continental Shelf crude oil each year from its equity share holdings in

Rome, Dec 2.—Banks have virtually agreed to the new rescue plan for Generale Immobiliare SpA, subject to finalization of precise details and approval at board level, sources at the company said. It includes plans to cede property assets for a total value of around 210,000m lire (about £131.6m) which would pay off banking debts of around 140,000m lire.

GEC-Weir venture

A 12-year joint venture between two British companies. General Electric and the Weir Group, on development, manufacture and sales of sodium circulators for use in nuclear fast reactors ,has been authorized by the European Commission,

year charbed from £1.2m to £1.54m. Washington expects heavy decline in unemployment

From Frank Vogi Washington, Dec 2

Unemployment in the United States fell back to 6.9 per cent from 7 per cent last month. The jobless rate has moved up and down between 6.9 per cent and 7.1 per cent over the past eight

The department of labour said that total employment rose sharply in November by 950,000 and government and private economists are becoming in-creasingly confident that there will be significant declines in unemployment in the months

This confidence in part reflects growing expectations of more stimulative economic policies. The Carter Administra-tion is now firmly committed to a tax cut next year, and on Wall Street today there was considerable speculation of somewhat easier money policies ahead.

Citibank announced today that it is holding its prime com-

cent, and the Federal Reserve
Board announced that the
narrowly defined money
supply (M1) fell by \$2,400m
(abour £1,291m) in rice last
statement week, while the
broader measure (M2) registered a \$700m fall.

The latest money supply figures, while highly tentative, suggest that the money stock is now growing more in line with the Fed's declared target ranges, so giving the Fed a greater chance of stabilizing interest rates and even allowing for some modest reduction in the stabilizing interest rates and even allowing for some modest reduction.

duction in rate levels.

The Department of Labour noted that total employment has increased by 3.9 million to 92.18 million over the past 12 months. months. It stated that total unemployment fell by 500,000 in November to 6.82 million. Among adult males the jobless rate declined to 4.9 per cent from 5.3 per cent last month, while the unemployment rate for adult women rose to mercial lending rate at 72 per 7.1 per cent from 6.8 per cent.



of power to Brussels warning curb national aid for shipbuilding merchant fleets by enabling a rival to equip itself at exces-

From Michael Bornsby
Brussels, Dec 2
A warning was given to EEC members here today that miless they agreed to reduce their shipbuilding production capacity by 45 per cent by the early 1980s, to take account of declings world demand the Europe. ing world demand, the European Commission would use the

The commission had let the Pelish deal go through because there was no clear evidence that it would deprive other EEC shippards of business. But the deal would directly threaten the competitive position of EEC

Two of Swan Hunter vessels for Teesside

Hunter, Tyneside, wanted blacked by other yards in Britain. They will be built on Teesside by the Smith's Dock order and the future of the industry". Key stewards have already made a decision and when made a decision and when asked if the decision was in any way dangerous to the future of shipbuilding he said: "The reverse is the case." His comment indicates a change of atti-Workers at Smith's Dock, which has two yards on the river, had provided the guaran-

tees of industriel peace and co-operation sought by British This represents a thange of heart by workers at the com-pany. Earlier this week 250 out-litting workers employed at the Haverton Hill yard took part in a oneday stoppage in sup-port of outilt workers at Swan Hunter.

contract which workers at Swan

Another of the vessels has already been reassigned to the Upper Clyde yard of Govan Shipbuilders, which is already building 10 multi-purpose vessels as part of the £115m Polich order.

A meeting of the company's 130 shop stewards will take remain hopeful that the Swan Hunter outfit workers will reconsider their decision. place on Monday next week Steel chief seeks action in EEC

Sér Charles Villiers, chairman of the British Steel Corporation, resterday advocated action by the European Commission for the establishment of a reference price system for steel imports into the Community. He said: "We have to recognize that we have a major steel crisis and that market action on prices is required on a European basis".

Sir Charles, who was addressing the annual luncheon of the International Steel Trade Association in London (most of whose members have been an

How the markets moved

a minimum price for steel imports if the United States adopts a reference price

rise in Brirish steel imports), said that it was simply not acceptable that the price of steel products should be driven cent. Steel traders indicated yesterday that some strip mill steel products were being shipped to Britain from South down to generate more sales which did not add to the amount of business done and which caused "fearful financial" Korea at about £30 below the BSC's basic price. Sir Charles said : "It is quite clear now that there is in Europe an international will to lose and grave social damage. The commission, which is expected to announce new measures for dealing with the European steel industry crisis create an international system being a steel market based on reference prices which will preserve the customary flow of trade; exportes to Europe and home producers within Europe later this month, has already indicated that it is considering preserving thei customary market share.

It is also proposing to raise minimum prices for EEC produced steel by about 15 per

light sections and flars. The Times index: 202.35 + 1.71 The FT index: 486.7 +6.9

The Government yesterday announced that it had succeeded in curbing imports of Spanish steel reinforcing bars,

THE POUND Rises 8p to 101p 2p to 284p 8p to 216p 2p to 28p 6p to 83p 5p to 48p 20p to 510p 10p to 538p 5p to 187p 7p to 43p Arb-Latham Beacham Sonts Bistonwood Sp to 150p 10p to 635p Sp to 65p 5p to 217p 10p to 140p 1.66 39.50 65.75 2.05 11.46 7.85 9.07 4.20 78.50 Australia : Austria Sch Belgium Fr Canada S Denmark Kr Finland Mkk Royce Scot Unic Inv Spooner Ind Takeda Bdr France Fr Germany Dm Greece Dr Hongkong S Italy Lr 8.75 3.98 74.00 Mang B Vickers 1625.00 464.00 Falls. Japan Yn Netherlands Gld 4.30 9.70 74.50 1.72 150.50 8.65 3.84 1.80 36.00 4.52 10.06 78.50 1.84 156.50 De Reers 'Did ' 10p to 295p Causine Sir J. 2p to 16p E. Briefontein 24p to 660p Leslie Libanon Norway Kr Portugal Esc S. Africa Rd 2p to 16p 24p to 660p 12p to 379p Sentrust Sheli Spain Pes Sweden Kr Switzerland Fr US 5 Sweden Rr 9.00 Switzerland Fr 4.06 US 5 1.25 Tugoslavia Dnr 38.75 Gold lost \$1.50 an ounce to \$158.625. Equities were strong. Gitt-edged securities made ground. SDR-5 was 1.18899 on Friday, while SDR-5 was 0.652753. Dollar premium 97.5 per cent (effective rate 37.49 per cent). Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barriarys Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply in taxellers' Cheques and other foreign currency business Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1,495.5 (previous 1,493.7). Starting gained 30 pts to 51.8205. The effective exchange rate index was at 63.3.

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Scrimgeour Hinchliffe

Grouse

The rules governing the tax treatment of children's investment income need updating. Although in most cases this income is not at present aggregated with that of parents, there is an exception where the capital from which the income derives has been given to the children by their parents. In this case the first £5 of such income is ignored for tax purposes, but the rest is taxed as if it was the parents' own income.

How many parents, in these inflationary times, have been caught by a higher tax bill because their children, thrifty souls, have saved their annual birthday or Christmas gifts of money, or the weekly allowance from their parents, instead of spending it on lollipops, skate boards and the

It is one thing to give a teenage son or daughter £1 or £2 a week pocket money, but what if you are faced with an additional helping of tax on their investment income at the end of the year?

Unchanged

With the building society investment rate at 6 per cent, it takes less than £100 of savings to increase a parent's tax liability because of his offspring's little pot of gold.

The real problem is the low exemption level of £5 a year. This has been unchanged for a quarter of a century

and must be one of the most outdated of all tax concessions

in terms of erosion by inflation. It is about time that the Government, which elsewhere accepts indexation of allowances, admitted that the £5 exemption is both unrealistic and unfair. The £5 limit, fixed by statute in 1952, is the equivalent today of at least

Taxation

More ways to But although the immediate requirement of most of the investors might be income, after a good (free) lunch—most were in fine voice for the afternoon forum, asking a wide range of questions. "Would you buy investment trusts for income?", "What about life assurance if you are over 65 years old?", "What is the best investment for children?", "Which is best—a gift unit trust or a gift bond?", "Why have the Growth units been such a disappointing in-

A house is the principal asset of many people and not surprisingly many readers are

surprisingly many readers are asking how they can transfer one to their children or grand-children free of capital transfer tax by making use of the annual exemption.

Various methods are being tried out in practice but they are not for the "doit-yourself" enthusiasr and professional enthusiast and professional advice should be sought It should be borne in mind that as CTT is a fairly new tax the schemes have not yet had a chance to stand the test of time and are open to challenge by a belligerent tax inspector.

Last week I discussed a method that involved the immediate sale of the house to the children, backed up by a loan from the parents with repayment of that loan through use of the annual exemption. That scheme, though, is not very satisfactory if the house is the parent's home and main asset (incidentally, although I asset (incidentally, although I shall be referring to transfers from parents to their children the principles apply equally to gifts from grandparems to grandchildren). In such circum-stances an immediate transfer of the title while the parents are alive could be incautious.

We saw from the table of rates last week that, as only the first £25,000 of a person's estate is taxable at a nil rate, a modestly sized house may atract CTI if left to the children on death. So the question arises, can the lifetime exemptions be used to reduce the expected liability on death, where the house is retained and there is no spare

of the various schemes being adopted one of the simplest is on the basis of a mortgage from the children. The procedure is that the parents each take advantage of the £2,000 annual exemption (or a little more if exemption (or a little more in the £100 per person exemption is taken into account) by giving a cheque for these amounts to the children or if under age, to their trustees every tax year.

They in turn grant the parent (or parents of the property is jointly owned) an interest-free mortgage secured on the house of the same amount each year and hand over a cheque. No cash need actually pass hands and the transactions take place annually

ir this way until the outstand-ing mortgage debt is equal to the market value of the house. Each parent's will should be drawn up so that on the death of the surviving spouse the house is passed on to the children. Assuming that the mort-

dren. Assuming that the mort-gage has by that time reached the full market value of the property, there will be a nil net probate value. In other words the house, provided it is willed to the child, should can-cel out the outstanding losn the parent owed to the child.
Another method involves two types of legal documents, a de-claration of trust and a trust deed. The trust deed is en-dorsed to give the children an

annual amount (within the CTT exemption limit) out of the proceeds of the property when sold.
In the meantime the parent (or parents) retains the pro-perty and the annual disposi-tions reduce the value of the estate for CTT purposes. The sale of the property can be timed to sult the parent's curcumstances and can, of course, be made to the children—if this is the desired and result —at market value. Again, no cash need pass hands as the children's entirlement, as endorsed out of the proceeds,

will be squal to the market There are variations on this and accountants will have particular favourite up their sleevs to suit the particular circumstances of their clients. However, before embarking upon a scheme there are two important points of which the property owner should be mind-

First, there will be legal costs, so get some idea of what these will be, and also of the CTT estimated to be saved if the scheme works. The point is that as the first £25,000 of one's worth is taxed at a nil rate it might be found—in the smaller estates anyway—that there is little to be gained by taking advantage of a costly

cepital gains tax is payable and the likely liability. This is an important aspect in the case of a house which is not the owners' only or main residence.

Vera Di Palma

... and other costs?

The Federation of Master Builders understandably throws its weight behind the expansion of owner occupation in its latest the Government Green Paper on

Housing.

But, quite apart from the strategic problems of improving both the quantity and the standard of the national housing stock, the FMB points out the very high cost of the transfer of homes. Its submission will strike a chord in the hearts of all who have ever had to buy

It claims that the cost of conveyancing, estate agent's com-mission, stamp duty, survey fees and the other important expenses incurred in the process represents a real barrier for people contemplating home

terms of buying the £15,000 house, these additional costs would require an extra 29 a month in mortgage payments.

Unit trusts

Who are the unitholders—what do they think?

To how many unit trust man agement groups—and writers on the subject, too, for that matter -are unitholders merely a set of statistics, rather than individuals? It is an easy trap to fall into. There is no legal requirement for a management group to meet its investors—unlike a public company with its annual

general meeting. Target Group, however, has made a greater effort than most to get to know its unitholders. Besides launching a magazine for them it started a series of conferences in 1966. It even had a panel of unitholders as parttime advisers to one fund.

The conferences were dropped a couple of years ago, but now Target has reactivated them. It invited its unithol-ders and bondholders in Greater

London to a one-day session on Wednesday.
Some 190 investors turned up for the fun. Predictably, it being a working day, the majority were either women or retired men and many of the women were widows who had inherited units from their backets. units from their husbands. This rather unrepresentative spread made for a certain similarity in investments—Target's Preference Share units, currently yielding 11.3 per cent, were the

"Why have the Growth units been such a disappointing investment?" and "Why is there no Save As You Earn scheme run by the Turget Building Society?"

All uncomplicated stuff, perhaps, but these are the kind of questions that chiefly interest unitholders. The views of some of the Target unitholders about their investment in unit trusts are given on the right.

Insurance

investrient in unit trusts in but adds that "the dividend on the right.

Margaret Stone with Woodworth's."

must be right

purpose type of pill. Instead

we are prepared to explain the exact whereabouts of the pain,

how it started, when it is

worst, and so on. The doctor diagnoses the trouble and uses

his judgment to decide on a treatment from a number of

perfectly acceptable treat-

Giving full

details of

income is all

part of

the process

ments; another doctor, for in-

stance, might suggest some-thing different.

When buying a life assurance product (or units in

s unit trust) many of the same principles apply. Anybody who is being asked to give guidance or advice must be given all the

facts on which to base his or her judgment—even though

Some of this information is fairly obvious—such as the amount for investment, one's

age, whether one wants income or capital appreciation. But

of them may appear to

First the diagnosis



herself a unitholder for "quite fortuitous reasons". A friend's son is on the Target group staff and she wanted to help him. She bought units in the Com-modity and Equity funds and a Managed bond six months ago and is pleased with her investmants pleased with her invest-ments. She particularly likes the "instant income", although her holdings are basically "long-term for my children".

Mrs Emma Irvine is a disappointed shareholder of F. W. Woolworth and believes that

"it is safer to put money into units rather than into one society or share." She has

society or snare. She has been a unitholder for five years, after first having "looked into them". She can't remember which trusts she is

cial advice to want to have I

complete picture of your posi-

tion before making a recom-

This is not just an excuse to try to sell one more than one

wants to buy; for instance, what is best for a basic rate

texpayer may be quite unsuitable for a higher rate tax-

payer, and vice versa. If a capital sum can be "locked

up" until after retirement a single premium bond (with a withdrawal facility) may be best

for a high rate taxpayer, but if the capital may be needed, a

unit trust might be better.

Tax considerations are all-

important when making a choice Some life assurance products (in common with building society investments) have serious drawbacks for

higher rate taxpayers; but the glossy literature seldom draws

glossy literature seldom draws attention to this.

A really good adviser may question whether we really want the capital appreciation or high income which has been specified; sometimes initial views may be modified.

Over the past few years too many people have bought the wrong products — either through being attracted by the sound of something, which was

sound of something, which was

not really the best answer in the long run, or by being sold a product by an individual with insufficient training to be

able to discover what was really needed.

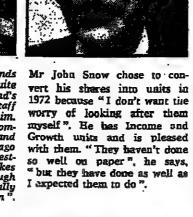
can help by giving better training to its staff. Also prospec-tive purchasers must be pre-

pared to give really full infor-mation; and remember that, if in doubt, a second opinion should be sought before sign-

ing on the dotted line.

The life assurance industry

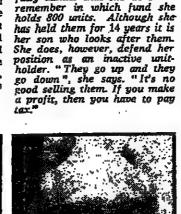
mendation.





Mr Clarence Jones used handle his own portfolio. increased my money six times in five years", he recalls.
"Then I decided it was becoming a bit too dangerous." He has been in Preference Share units and an Income bond for four years, but although he is "very pleased" with them he might, one day, "go back to dabbing."

Investor's week



Mr Peter Johnson has held In-Mr Peter formson has nett international units for three
years. He thought they would
do better than the Financial
units he had bought eight
years earlier. But he is not
pleased with unit trusts at all
at the moment. "I had stocks
and charges and thought it proat the moment. "I had stocks and shares and thought it probably better to let someone else do the planning instead of myself. Now I'm



Mr Harold de P. Boardman echoes the view of many unit-holders when he says that he fully admits that she does not is "trying to get a good re-turn" on his money. "It's so difficult", be admits. He has been in unit trusts for six to long-term investor. He has temporarily forgotten which trusts he holds, but confesses that he does not like watching them anyway. "It's too worrying."



Miss Dawn Brett, who used to put her savings into a building society, was given a day off work to come to the conference. She holds Preference Share units which she bought three years ago in response to a news-paper advertisement. "I think they are a good investment, she says, "They yielded 11.3 per cent when I bought them which was much better than I could do anywhere else

more clients.

The existing client list of 300 has been built up since May, 1975, when IG started its gold business. The idea then was to give United Kingdom investors the chance to take an interest in the gold price. This is nor-mally nor allowed, but IG came up with the idea of becoming a bookmaker.

Gold price

-a longer

IG Index, the gold and com-

modity "bookies", have made some important changes to

their rules to try to attract

punters

view

The client can bet, say, £20 on the price going up. For every point the gold price rises he wins £20 and for every point it falls he loses £20. If he believes it will fall he can, of course, bet on it doing just

The winnings are gambling gains so they are untaxed gains so they are untaxed though the company pays betting tax on its turnover.

By the time the system gor going, however, speculative interest in gold had passed its peak so IG decided to diversify into all the major commodities, Although the manin-the-street can do this directly via a commodity broker the a commodity broker the smallest lots the market deals in are prohibitively large. For example, the minimum amount of copper that can be traded on the London Metal Exchange is 25 tons worth about

is 25 tons worth about £17,000. IG's minimum is one trading all these deals require a deposit which IG set at 15 per cent. So a client making a £1 bet on the copper price will be taking an interest in

one ton requiring a deposit of about £100. IG take a banker's reference

IG take a banker's reference on every client to confirm that he has assets up to one and a half times the maximum deposit, known as a "margin" in commodity circles, that he has said he can afford

If his losses on a deal or "position" begin to look as though they are running over his margin he will suromatically get a "margin call" from IG, at which point his cheoue for the amount of the margin will he expected to be in the post. he expected to be in the post. Otherwise his position will be closed immediately, which in many cases might be a good idea.
IG cover themselves by match-

ing the clients' deals with real deals on the commodity exchanges. So, for example, if the cocca price rises spectacu-larly their real dealing profit will be used to cover their pay-ours on the bers. With gold the position is dif-

ferent, as IG themselves cannot deal. In this case the company has an agreement with an authorized buillon dealer to match its deals on the dealer's own account.
The main changes IG have

now made are in gold. Premaintain positions for only up to 28 days. Now he can take

months. Secondly, the spread of prices quoted by IG has been nerquoted by IG has been ner-rowed from three points to 19 points, or two points in the case of three-month gold. This spread is the "jobber's turn" from which IG make their profit. Narrowing it-means that the cost of dealing through the system is cut and tricing an interest in smaller fluctuations in the gold price

ecomes more attractive.

A similar change has been made on the commodities side where the spread has been reduced from just over 1 per cent to just over 1 per cent. The changes take effect immediately.

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Portfolio Management Service, which basically seeks to provide

professional management for investors in these two areas

Advice on

unit trusts

Markets passing through a neutral phase

Ordinary shares staged a good, if not wholly convincing, rally on the London stock merket this week.

"I've have got about £3,000. Without too much optimism or What is the best way of investing it?" This is the kind of income to drop sharply at question put to financial retirement? Are you likely to need to gat your hands on the along the lines: "I can save £20 a month. What do you recommend?"

It is very easy to think that there is a "best buy" which is best for everybody. Unfortunately, life is not quite as simple as that.

We don't go to the doctor and ask him for the latest all-purpose type of pill. Instead, Superficielly a 20.7 point rise in the FT Ordinary Share Index to 486.7 suggested a satisfactory measure of consolida-tion, but the market was so thin, and the amount of business done so small that it remains highly vulnerable to on the industrial from. Most dealers see the market

as still passing though one of its neutral phases, investors refusing to strong positions either way. Which way it ultimately moves depends largely on a measure of argeement on pay and the future course of interest rates. Neverethless, the fact that equities attracted some demand at these levels was a source of comfort for the "bulls" and helped to aliay the fears in some quarters that the index would plunge to the low 400s before the year was out.

Most of the week's demand was made up of "cheap" buy-ing and "bear" closing, but dealers did report that on Tuesday, the strongest of the five sessions, the buying was the best seen for some weeks. Prices were also helped by jobbers marking up, in an attempt to attract stock on to

their "short" books.

This ploy also creates an illusion of firmness, but in most illusion of firmness, but in most cases investors remained unresponsive to such moves.

After the previous Friday's strong gains the week began in a subdued fashion, with wide-spread talk that calls totalling f900m on the BP partly-paid shares and a number of gittedged stocks would keep the big investors on the sidelines for the time being.

Tuesday's strong gains were

Tuesday's strong gains were achieved in spice of speculation that minimum lending rate might be raised another point, or even two. But this doubt was quickly resolved the next day when the Bank of England said that it did not envisage a change and early falls in both the equity and John Drummond gilt-edged market were immediately reversed.

On Thursday below-per third duction, while Rio Tinto-Zinc, quarter figures from BP and up 11p to 191p, responded to a renowed industrial feers as the miners met the coel board took. the two-day relig.

In the gilt-edged market the Bank's MLR statement was the high aport of an otherwise poorly supported week. Most fixed-interest dealers, though, see the Bank's move only as about the positions. out that it canot usually resist merket forces for very long. They would not be surprised

m see interest retes rise again. before Christmas.

Widespread market talk of financial losses on BP's Alaska pipeline was borne out when the company announced on the eve of Thursday's results that production build-ups had brought an £8.8m quarterly deficit on its near 16 per cent stake in the line. The following day the figures

themselves proved to be the letest in a lengthening list from leading companies which did not match up to market expec-tations, though in this case these had already been scaled down. The new shares, which became fully paid yesterday, ended the week at 890p, while the old lost 20p to 880p on United States selling.

In the mining sector De Beers, at 295p, attracted atten-tion after news of a planned 20 per cent jump in diamond pro-

House of Lords ruding that it should not give evidence to a uranium cartel bearing in America. Precious metals group Johnson Matthew lost 10p to 443p after last week's rise in MLR the clearing banks were in good for the statement of the clearing banks were in good for the statement of the clearing banks were in good for the clearing banks were in good the clearing banks were in good.

form as they increased their base rates and in doing so introduced an element of competition. The hope that higher trates will ease the pressure on profit margins attracted some strong support, with Lloyds, at 285p, and Barclays, 335p, proving to be

Interim profits and a builish forecast from Racal, always one of the market's strongest performers, were much to dealers' liking. But the gloss was taken off the shares by the news that the deputy chairman had rasigned and over the week the

rise was just 2p to 216p.
The takeover scooe was fairly quiet, though the news late yesterday that Gleoliver had rejected the Seagrams bid boosted the shares 20p to 490p in the hope of better terms. In the same sector profits from Bass Charrington were above many estimates and went some way to dispersing the gloom over brewery shares. The shares rose 13p to 162p.

David Mott

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

Year's	Year	's	
high		Company	Mover
80p		Allied Polymer	17p to
163p	66p	Bass Charrington . John Brown	13p to
259p	66p		22p to
130p	26p	MEPC	16p to
90p	24p	S. Simpson 'A'	
			Falls

Comment BTR bid Good figures Fresh takeover talk Rental income growth Speculative growth

138p Akroyd & Smithers 95p Brown Shipley 36p Hay's Wharf 492p 245p Johnson Matthey

6p to 227p Week gilts 5p to 195p Sector trend

4p to 168p Bid hopes fade 10p to 443p Margins deteriorate 20p to 88p. Profits setback

the portfolio and it will accept either shares or existing port-folios of units in exchange. It has a management fee of 1 per cent a year for the gilt portion. with a minimum charge of £50, however, and over a period of years the average investor may expect half the investments bought on his behalf to com-mend this management fee. Because of the minimum charge the service is of most interest to investors with £5.000 ... or more to deploy. The mana-gers receive the normal commission payments trong the unit trust funds and charge a

management company has evidently encouraged it to make a play for the market that seems to be developing for protes-sional advice in unit trusts. Unlike Hoare's service, Scrimgeour offers free manage-ment of the unit trust side of

fee to the private client noly when the particular fund dealt in does not pay commissions. - 🗓

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It estimates that all these hidden costs add up to about £390.50 for the purchase of a

In sales, the respective figures are £545 and £950—the great bulk of this accounted for by estate agent's commission. In

the figure would be double that. into some of the charges, such as those of solicitors and estate agents, is taking place but the Government imposes its own burden. Although no stamp duty is payable on the purchase of a £15,000 house, some £450 is due on the £30,000 one.

£15,000 house—rising to over £1,000 in the case of a \$30,000

In the case of a £30,000 house A government Investigation

much more than that is needed if one is to stand a worthwhile

chance of receiving really sound guidance or advice. First, what is your income at the moment and how is it made up? Taking into consideration your various allowances and reliefs, what is the top rate of tax which you are paying? What are your prospects (on a realistic basis,

Investment trusts

E & D shareholders may not be the only losers

It is a nail biting time among the investment trusts. The British Investment Trust has rejected an offer from the National Coal Board's Pension Fund, while Edinburgh & Dundee is still resisting overtures from the British Rail Pension Fund despite the latter's revela-tion that its offer had cornered more than half the E & D

The trouble is that Britrailpen, who must by now be punch-drunk having been already rejected by the Standard Trust earlier in the year, needs at least 75 per cent of the shares before it can wind up the trust, thereby incorporating the underlying portfolio into the tex-free confines of its own. At 75 per cent Britrailpen

can apply for a court order to

wind up—at 90 per cent it can do it anyway. If the 75 per cent is not reached it can stagger on with a controlling interest in the hope that some day it will looming up before them. The acquire the rest, or it can withdraw completely. The problems are not entirely

confined to Britrailpen's camp. It would be highly embarrassing for managers Baillie Gifford, who have stirred themselves and their Scottish investors not a little in the past few weeks, if Britrailpen were to withdraw, leaving them with over half their shareholders in a state of near apoplexy as the shares slide from around 1560 to nearer 130p, and facing a bar-rage of hostility virtually everywhere else too. Britrailpan is quite likely to impose a time limit for accept-

looming up before them. The thought of that, or the alternative of being stuck as a minority shareholder in a fund controlled by Britrailpen, cannot be an enticing prospect even for a dichard Scottish manager. Opposing the Britralipen bid at this stage in the game can bring nothing but sorrow to Baillie Gifford, since holders of half the shares clearly want to-

Baillie Gifford's stand, and that of the British Investment Trust, has received tacit support from the Association of century by bidding for R & D
Investment Trust Managers in
that its retiring chairman, Mr
there is no case at all for
Devid Runter Johnstone, arguing in favour of an auto-

get out.

recently endorsed the principle of a "going concern" basis for bid formulas. But the whole point about the problems of the investment trust sector is that large pieces of it have become irrelevant-they are not "going concerns" in an investment context An investment trust, like any

other company or asset, is worth whatever someone else is prepared to pay for it. You can argue that the National Coal Board's offer is a little ungenerous, despite its inclusion of a minimum cash offer that could appeal in tricky markets. You can argue the toss about whether Britrailpen at 100 per cent asset value. Bur

matic "going concern" valuation for an investment trust whose main attraction to an outsider is the prospect of a Baillie Gifford are doing

their investors no service at all in stubboruly resisting this bid. But it is not just the E & D shareholders but all investment trust shareholders who will lose out if the two major bids in the sector fall by the wayside. The average discount is at present 25 per cent on asset values. It has been 40 per cent in the past and could widen again unless there is some solu-tion to the problem of overcapacity in the sector.

> Margaret Drummond

Brian Appleyard

Unit trust p

comparable to the traditional service in equities.

The Scrimgeour Hinchliffe service has been on offer for three years to inhouse clients. but the recent launch of Hoare Govett's discretionary unit trust

Rates at sixes and sevens, but don't switch loyalties

How times have changed. For much of the postwar period interest rates have been more or less easy to fathom, reflecting as they do in traditional theory the balance between the supply and demand for money, even if divergent views about the forure may have pushed them out of kilter for a while. If, like me, you were imbued with the economic thoughts of Lord Keynes and were encouraged to gloss over such things as the importance of the quantity of money, its velocity of circulation and esoretic equations like MV=PT, which looked as though they had

looked as though they had escaped from the physics books, then events over the last week have shown that you really need to reeducate yourself if you are going to make an intelligent stab about when is the best time to horrow.

What has been shown beyond all reasonable doubt over the last week is that everything will be sacrificed on the high extar of monetarism with the Chancellor, Treasury and Bank of England all showing themselves to be card-curving memelves to be card-carrying mem-pers of this school of economics bers of this school of economics—though the fifth columnists at the National Institute, whose review this week dwelt disconcertingly for the monetarists on what is happening in the real world, will have to be rooted out unless they are to be allowed to upset the apple cart. For the present, then, developments in what Mr Healey has taken to calling the real economy—that is, the down-to-earth world of consumer earth world of consumer spending industrial produc-tion and so on are being allowed to have no effect on interest rates. If they were, interest rates would never have been allowed to go so low and would not have had to rebound

last week.
So the future course of interest rates will continue to be governed by the financial sconomy, that is the money supply figures, the need for the Government to sell gilts to quirement and so on and those are the factors for borwers to keep an eye on. here that help to explain why

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week have been—literally and metaphorically—at sixes and sevens over their overdraft and deposit rates.

Cooperative

Businesses, which for the past six years have supposed to be competing with each other, have shown precious little sign of that happening—if you ignore the fancy chequebooks-until this week. But has competition really returned with a vengeance. It is improbable. The clearers

It is improbable. The clearers' different response to last week's jump in minimum lending rate from 5 to 7 per cent has, it is true, led to something previously almost unheard of—all the banks at one stage operating on a different base rate, though late in the week Barclays dragged itself but line clays dragged itself into line with National Westminster at with Maintain westminster at 7½ per cent and turned out to be most generous to its deposi-tors by raising rates to 4½ per cent. This is hardly competitive with the building societies. 9 per cent for basic rate taxpayers but a nice gesture for all that. But the question for bor-rowers is, with a three-quarter

point gap emerging between Midland's 64 per cent and Bar-clays/NatWest's 74 per cent, is there any sense in switching your account? The answer, I am afraid, is an unequivocal no. am afraid, is an unequivocal no.

For all the arguments that
the clearers how have more
scope to remain our of line with
each other because of the high
proportion of their lending that
is linked to other money marker rates, it is highly unlikely
that they will stay out of line
for more than a few weeks. In
which case, the saving on a

the big high street banks this £500 loan will be at most the price of a pint of beer.

More important, however, the simple point that your re-lationship with the bank manager is more often than not far more important than small difmore important than small dif-ferences in overdraft rates—if he reckons you a good customer it is just as likely that you will be able to negotiate a rate below the 4-5 per cent charged to run-of-the mill customera.— For the same reasons it makes hinte sense to play the field on deposit rates either, since with amounts of over

makes little sense to play the field on deposite rates either, since with amounts of over £10,000 the branch-bid deposite, scheme means, that you will enjoy a higher neturn in any case, while for sums helow this the monetary gain may not outweigh the advantages of keeping your bank manager sweet. It is, all the same, more possible that deposit rates will remain out of line than base rates, so it is something worth thinking about—although most serious lenders should be in building societies already.

As far as personal loan, hire purchase and credit card rates are concerned, the latest rise in interest rates is unlikely to make any immediate difference. Personal loan rates have only just been reduced and the banks pride themselves in not chopping and changing these too often, while Barclayard is unlikely to lose face by increasing its rates to Access 11, per cent a month level so soon after trying to undercurits rival. But the omeas are

soon after trying to undercut its rival. But the omens are clear—borrowing is becoming

Ronald Pullen

Motor insurance

Be wary of the certificate

Often, if there is any doubt the bare minimum required by about one's motor insurance, it is easier to look at the cartificate of insurance than the policy, because the certificate is much shorter and the policy may not be readily available, for the paperwork, Regretably, This, however, is a practice of the bare minimum required by If, by the a certificate issued, a fur volves the payment of an additional promium, and some introduction of the paperwork. Regretably, only the however, is a practice

A certificate is intended mainly to be evidence, in handy mainly to be evidence, in handy form, that a particular vehicle is insured, as required by the Road Traffic Act. It is not intended to be a resume of the policy and in the event of any difference between the cartificate and the policy it is the wording of the latter which matters. The policy is the only document which creates any liebility on the insurers.

In recent years many insurers.

In recent years many insurers have moved over to "blanket" certificates which apply to any car owned by the policy-holder, rather than quoting the registration number of one's car. The main reason is that the insurers do not have to issue a freely conficient when the conficient when th

if esh certificate when one car is changed for another.

Nevertheless, this is not quite so straightforward as it appears. It is essential that you tell the insurers straight away when you change cars. Often, insurers allow about 10 days of grace. It, by the end of the period of grace, the insurers have not been told of a change of car,

Perhaps surprisingly, in some cases, a return of premium is due on a change of cars. A typical example is if an elderly car is traded in and a new one bought (worth appreciably more than the second-hand value of the elderly car) which is in a lower rated group. Here, one of the sharper practices of a few brokers is to retain the credit from the insurers and

not to pass it on. A few insurers still issue endersements in that situation, setting out the additioned or return premium due, which has the effect of frustrating such tricks. But, presumebly, probate which presume or the probate which presume or the probate which probate the presume of the probate which probate the presume of the probate of the proba tricks. But, presumebly, brokers which operate on the basis described above do not

use those insurers.
When insurance on a car is when insurance on a car is arranged through a broker, a cover note will be provided. This is nothing more than a temporary certificate of insurance, which is invalid once the certificate is issued. A point to warch is that a cover nor is

by the end of that period, a certificate has not been issued, a further cover note will

To save postage some broken (and again, I stress that it is only the minority) are not for the paperwork, Regrettanty, a few go very much further them that. They may make out that the the theorem is significantly higher than in fact is the case.

should they be needed.

Apart from the inconvenience of not heving the cover note with you, in case it is asked for, a certificate (or cover note) has to be "delivered" and it could be argued that it has not been delivered if it has merely been lying in the broker's office.

Basically, therefore, a certificate of insurance (or in temporary equivalent, the cover note) is a piece of paper to show policemen, licensing autisorates, injured third parties and others entitled to see it. The certificate is evidence that cover is in force as required by the Road Traffic Act; but it is the terms and conditions of the policy which really matter, and, clearly, the certificate cannot incorporate all the terms and exclusions.

So, be wary of the certificate.

So, be wary of the certificate. If in doubt on any point, be prepared to wade through the policy wording, or ask your insurers in advance.

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Stock markets

Index rises 20.7 over the week

This led to a widespread mark-up which, in turn, hastened the closing of "bear" positions before the weekend.

The FT Index, 14 down at 10 an, was 3.9 ahead at midday and 6.9 better at 486.7 by the official close. This left it a strong 20.7 up over the week, the first of the present account. In the Government bond market there were gains of around one quarter throughout the range. The latest set of currency reserves figures were

ments rose 3p to 57p on fresh talk of a possible takeover. Ever since Mr Peter Whitfield, chairsince Mr Peter Whitfield, chairman, and joint managing director Mr Robert Tanner reduced their stake earlier this year the market has expected them to sell the rest of their holding, now around 20 per cent. A suitor could be attracted by the group's land which might be had at a discount.

News of takeover talks with National Starch of the United States lifted Unilever 10p to 538p with Beechams up by the same amount to 635p. Other strong leaders were Glaxo, up 7p to 592p, Metal Box 6p to 292p and ICI 4p ahead at 366p. The rejection of the Seagrams terms gave a late boost to Glenlivet which ended 20p to the good at 490p in the hope of better terms. Both Arthur Bell 8p to 376p and Macallen Glenlivet 30p to 298p continued to gain ground on talk of rationalization in the industry, Elsewhere in the drinks sector Guinness rose 5p to 193p ahead

as share prices rose strongly on firmed to 162p on the strength at 890p. the howest number of bargains of this week's bullish statement. The c

and Metalrax at 38p. Others to find good support included Sanlight which closed a solid 13p ahead at 403p.

In papers the way ahead was led by Bowater up 6p to 181p and News International 9p to 247p. But Sir Joseph, strong all week in front of yesterday's figures, failed to liven up to dealers' best hopes and ended 2p lower at 16p. 2p lower at 16p.

Hoping for further takeover news Federated Chemical was

marked up 4p to 80p while S. Simpso io A. continued to attract speculative support with a rise of 3p to 90p.

BP continued to be lowered by transatlantic selling with the old losing 20p to 880p. The new,

Philips Patents (I) 1.8(1.5) B. Paradise (I) 1.34(1.26) Sanger: //

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It was the mixture as before of figures and Bass Charrington in their fully paid form, closed

The clearing banks continued the sowest number or pargans of this sevent have a year.

Dealers send that early losses were quickly reversed when no less than 22p to 88p with bargan bursters made their Macathys ending 5p off at 94p presence felt around Junchime. This led to a widespread mark-up which in turn, bastened the closing of "bear" positions before the weekend.

The clearing banks continued to gain strength from this week's base rate increases with wises of 3p from Lloyds at 285p, Midpresence felt around Junchime good for rises in Spink & Son Over in insurances there was a much firmer look after the weekend. much firmer look after the weakness of the previous day which had stemmed from the growth of industrial fire claims. Two of the strongest spots were Legal & General, up 4p to 154p, and Commercial Union which by the same amount to

> Following the fall after figures Racal regained ground with a rise of 8p to 216p.
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> A warning on future margins lowered Bishops Stores 5p to 180p but other company state. ments were good for rises of several pence in Scapa at 107p, Spooner Industries at 46p and Somic at 31p. Illingworth Morris held steady at 34p after figures which threw up a change in dividend policy.

> > Latest results

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week some of the merchant banks 'garbered 'some steam, Arbuthnot-Datham notably which ended with a rise of 8p to 150p. In stores Scottish Universal Investments rose 6p

International Combustion rested

at 95p, just a few pence under the Northern Engineering bid to which ICH has already made a fighting reply. Unimpressed, NE yesterday bluntly reminded ICH that it had won control and had been installed. ad no intention of raising its offer. However, there was also City talk that ICH and its adviser, Robert Flemming, had persuaded institutions with around 15 per cent of shares not to accept NE. Other ICH shareholders need not do so

to 83p. Benn Brothers was a firm feature with a gain of 8p

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yet either.

Illingworth, **Morris puts** sparkle into After a rather indifferent

By Our Financial Staff Yorkshire textiles group Illingworth, Morris turned in almost doubled pre-tax profits of £2m for the six months to September 30. This was in line with market expectations and compares with a previous

Sales rose by about 10 per cent from £53.4m to £59m but Mr Ivan Hill, chairman, reports that the group is not looking simply for volume turnover.
"We are going for profits and profit margins", he said. And pre-tax margins in the period widened from a previous 1.9 per cent to 3.5 per cent.
The largest increase in sales

The largest increase in sales came in the home market where, in financial terms, they rose from £24.5m to £28m. Trading conditions are cur-rently variable, according to the chairman. Strong export markets are liable to react against further strengthening of sterling whereas home demand prospects show signs of marginal improvement. On balance, the more favourable profit level shown for the first half year should be maintained in the second be removed. the second, he reports.
Exports, both direct and indirect, amounted to £30.6m in

the period, against £28,6m pro viously.

Mr Hill said, after the announcement of the figures; that he would like to see vigorous action to deal with subsidized imports and dumping in the United Kingdom. If: necessary a tax should be put on subsidized goods, he said. However, he warned that an absolute restriction on cheap imports would put a restriction on world trade and would not be in the best interests of the country or the company.

Illingworth is not seeking anything more than ressonable

Drop in photographic sales jolts Sangers

By Bryan Appleyard

Sangers Group, the wholesale chemists, saw its shares fall 20 per cent after a 33 per cent drop in profits in the six months to Arigust 31 because of intense pressure on margins.

Turnover advanced by 10 per cent from £40.7m to £44.9m but pre-tax profits fell from £1.2m to £815,000, indicating a fall in margins from 3 to 1.8 per cent. Mr Hugh Nicholson, chair-man, blames the failure of turn-over to keep pace with inflation on a fall in photographic sales against a strong first-half last

In pharmaceuticals there was a small volume increase though this was offset by lower margins and the absence of stock profits on the same scale as last year. Mr Nicholson has strong feel-ings on the problem of margins and he attacks competitors who

Rank sells

Canadian

31.1m. Canadian Theatres Gross

est payable.

Odeon Holdings consists of 130 cinemas, 80 of which are freehold properties, amounting to 170 screens. The book value of these cinemas amounts to about \$30m. Profits of Odeon

cinemas

have been trimming theirs by reducing service levels.

Overheads have risen with inflation but there has been an additional charge of about £100,000 because of special costs in Northern Ireland and diversification into autics. sification into optics.
In general, comments Mr

Nicholson, trading has been difficult and no significant change in the level of profits in the second-half against the opening leg is expected.
However, he adds: "Action
has already been taken to improve gross margins and the board is reviewing all aspects

to restore profits to higher levels".

The interim dividend is unchanged at 2.73p gross and the shares feil 22p to 88p, where historically they yield 10 per cent with a price earnings ratio

Margins dip

as Scapa rises 9 pc

Rank Oversees Hobbings, a subsidiary of the Rank Organisation, has encered into an agreement with Canadian Theatres Group, a Canadian owned corporation, to sell its interest in Odeon Holdings (Canada) the cinema group, for \$311m 30 have risen 24 per cent to £25.3m and pre-tax profits by 9 per cent to £3.1m indicating a drop in margins from 15.2 to Canadian Theatres Group has already paid \$1.5m which is to be followed by a payment of \$24.5m when the deal is completed in a few weeks time. The remainder will be paid in instalments of \$1m per aroun over a period of five years starting on the third anniversary of completion with interest payable.

It is usual for the group's second half to produce a bigger profit than the first, and the board can see no reason why this should not be the case this time round. If it managed merely to equal the £4.4m brought in during the second half of last year it would end with a bumper £7.8m.

The board says that in the first half all divisions increased wide trading continued to be

A record year is well under way at Scapa Group. This maker of paper-machine, industrial felts and cloths, filter fabrics and waste disposal units is set to improve upon last year's peak profit of £7.5m before tax. Sales for the six months to September 30 hays risen 24 per cent to

their turnover against a back-ground of patchy trading condi-tions. In the United Kingdom the paper-machine clothing divisions suffered a narrowing of margins, particularly in exports but "significant progress" is reported at the industrial textiles division, which increased its share of group sales. Worldimportant and United Kingdom exports improved.

Incheape drops out of Crane Fruehauf auction

Victory is now assured for J LYONS
Fruehauf Corporation, in its in accordate hotly-contested bid for Crane
Fruehauf. The Inchcape board
Gluckstein has decided to let its offer, which was bettered by Fruehauf a week ago, lapse. Acceptances were received on 149 million shares, about 9.7 per cent, and Inchcape already held 7.6 per cent of Crane. Inchcape still stands to make a profit on its

involvement if it accepts Frue-hauf's 100p a share offer. The Inchcape board remains convinced that Crane would have been a logical addition to the business. Its withdrawal leaves Crane to face Fruehauf alone. After trying for 13 months, in the face of bitter opposition from Crane, Fruehauf corporation claimed a stake of over 44 per cent this

In accordance with his intentions indicated at a senior management meeting last March Mr J. M. H. Gluckstein has decided to leave the senior meeting in th company to pursue private in-terests. He. was resigned from

REED & SMITH (BOLDINGS) St Regis International has bought 13.6 per cent of company and has indications of ecceptance for a further 37.4 per cent as part of its agreed 63p a share cash offer for

GLOBE AND PHOENIX Globe and Phoenix Gold has proceedinal problems, parity because report and accounts of Phoenix Prince for year to March 1977 will be distributed to shareholders chordy. Panel agrees for offer documents to be despained by December 31. JAMES WARREN

Group reports that in recent months it has held several discus-sions about a possible menger. At present it seems utilizely that progress will be made towards success. Further statement in next few weeks. Warren has sold its Dairy T. ... business to Associated

Oil & Assoc **BCA** withdraws from half-time battle for Nationwide record

By Tony May

Record results from Oil & Associated Investment Trust underline the statement in the annual report that North Sea oli and gas developments continued to be encouraging, and in many cases the results were exceeding the forecasts. In the event, gross revenue for the six months to September 30 rose from £201,000 to £214,000 and pre-mx revenue from £129,000 to £162,000.

The group's net asset value and has reached about 81p. This is after allowing for the net interim dividend of 2.31p. but does not take into account the full convertibility of the loan stock. After this adjustment the net asset value is

79p.
The group, in which Pearl
Assurance has an 8.24 per cent stake, has investments including "a substantial" exposure in the North Sea. Its six largest invest-ments include stakes in Shell Transport & Trading, BP, ICL Standard Oil, Petrotina, and IC



28 per cent stake in the caravan sites company. However, the group, chaired by Mr David Wickins, has not left the fray completely empty-

handed. The 1.77 million holding in Nationwide was sold at 141p a share against a buying price of just under 10p, giving the group a gross profit of around £80,000. After costs, this leaves

a net surplus of about £50,000, according to the chairman.

As yet there is no indication as to the new owner of the equity, however, Mr Wickins revealed last night that BCA was approached by the com-pany last week and offered some £257,000 for the stake. It is expected that Nationwide will make an announcement concerning the sale at the

annual meeting on December The BCA courtship of Nationwide has been freught with difficulties throughout



Mr David Wicking chairman of British Car Auction.

picked up the holding.

Although at one point holding acceptances representing 47.8 per cent of the shares, BCA proved unable to reach the decisive 50 per cent level.
Unconfirmed reports suggest that the privately-owned investment banking company Finan-cial Network Guaranty may have

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been told of a change of car, warch is that a cover none is the cover may be restricted to issued only for a limited period. Unit trust performance

Growth and specialist funds (progress this year and the past three years). Unitholder index 2022.5; rise from January 1, 1977: 27.1%. Average change offer to bid, net income included, over past 12 months: +36.2% over last three years: 106.5%. Statistics supplied by Money Management and Unitholder, Greystoke

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about \$50m. Profits of Odeon Holdings last year amounted to \$3m. The money from the sale will remain in Cauada and will be used to reduce borrowings on a property development the group is undertaking in the Toronto area.

In peturn Rank Operance well? In return Rank Overseas will buy back Steel Art and Neon Sign Services from Odeon Holdings, for about \$3.4m or on a sum to which both parties will agree,

Company, absorbed into Oce-van der Grinten NV in April is reorgan-izing. Ir will mean loss of 450 tobe

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Alpine Drinks goes into leisurewear

An expansion of the business has long been signalled by Alpine Soft Drinks, and record profits for the half year to September 24 are accompanied by news of a purchase. The group is planning to buy two com-panies which make and distribote leigure wear. This is a new direction for Alpine, which made a rights issue in June.

Two factories, plant vehicles and fire s are being purchased f £160,000 cash from the rece r of J. H. Hood and Charles Curtis and a managing director with long experience of the textile industry is being en-gaged to run the operation. The board says that this is only the first stage in the group's diversification plans.

Meauwhile, the group has managed an 8 per cent rise in pre-tax profits for the first half. After a dip in margins from 18.9 per cent to 16.9 per cent. The directors say that this is a return to more normal levels after the exceptional margins achieved last summer.

Highams leap 50 pc in first half

If Highams, the Lancashire-based textile group can main-tain the momentum of the first tain the momentum of the first half, which saw pre-tax profits leap 50 per cent to £506,000, it should have no difficulty in beating lest year's record of £922,000. Back in July Mr William Higham, chairman, said that the profits for the first agriculture worldwide.

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qualier of the current year were encouraging in spite of the serious downtum in consumer spending. The group recently invested a further £500,000 in new equipment and attendant working capital.

Better results from

Unochrome Int Pre-tax profits at Unochrome International rose to £705,000. in the fifteen months to September 30 against £574,000 for the previous 12 months. Turnover has also shown a considerable increase, from £11.8m to £17m, however earnings per share have fallen from a previous 1.73p to 1.44p.

Glaxo sells its stake

in Murn'y Chems Glaxo Baldings has sold all its shares in Murphy Chemical to Dalgety UK, a subsidiary of to Daigety UK, a substanty of Daigety. Murphy is engaged in the formulation, packing and distribution of agricultural pes-ticidal chemicals. Daigety UK intends to continue to expand the existing business of the company. Murphy will be maintained as a separate accountable entity within the Delgety chemical division. Nevertheless, within the new

will have access to the knowhow of a group which already has extensive experience in

in Futures Market (Gafka).

BARLEY was steady: Jan, rch. £73.50: May. £75.90.

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Foreign Exchange

The dollar weakened further on foreign exchanges yesterday. Dealers said this reflected a con-tinued lack of confidence in the currency because of the economic situation in America. Heavy support by the Bundesbank and the Swiss National Bank was needed to prevent the dollar from falling

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Sterling ended 30 points up at \$1.8205, but the effective exchange rate index was unchanged at 63.3.

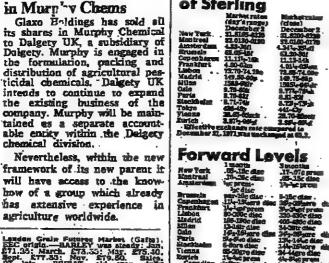
The pound climbed to around \$1.8230 at one time, but dealers said this probably reflected one sizeable commercial order in a thin market. The currency reserves were as expected and did not affect the rate.

German marks rose from 2.2130 German marks rose from 2.2130 to 2.2055 against the dollar, while Swiss francs strengthened from 2.1425 to 2.1345. The Japanese year climbed from 242.80 to 242.40.

Gold lost \$1.50 an ounce to close in London at \$158.625

Spot Position of Sterling

in London at \$158,625.



Gold PRESTON MEETS

Group negotiating agreement with Onzario Hydro on reopening of Preston's Stanleigh property in Onzario. Uranium concentrates produced would be sold to Onzario Hydro.

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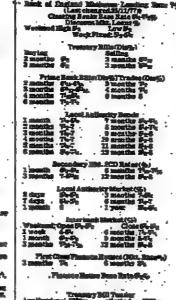
There were no great difficulties for the discount house yesterday, though credit was less plentiful than at first seemed likely. The Bank of England gave a moderate amount of help by purchasing Treasury bills directly from the houses. This assistance was probably a little more than the situation really warranted and bank balances seemed likely to be carried across the weekend at levels pather above target.

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During the morning houses held their bids around the 54 per cent level. Though conditions became fairly patchy in the afternoon, with rates dropping to 4 per cent then turning up to 41 per cent again, the close was eventually pretty comfortable, allowing books to be balanced for the day in the range of 3 to 32 per cent.

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Money Market Rates



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Western Mining told annual meeting that he expects first half operating profit will be materially less than for same period. It was not possible to predict full-year result at present. Net operating profit was A10.76m in the first half of last year and \$24.51m in the full year.

Wall Street

New York, Dec 2.-The Dow Now York, Dec 2.—The Dow Jones Industrial average was one to three points lower most of the day and closed down 1.73 to 823.98. However, advancing issues omnumbered decliners by about 765 to about 630. Trading totalied 21,160,000 shares, down from 2. 21,000 yesterday.

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Lie market's lackiustre performance, Mr Gordon said, indicates that market participants are no longer focusing on the money supply, but rather on the trade deficit, the dollar, and a possibly mark 1978 economic. West 1978 economy.

The emphasis has shifted from the monetary to the fiscal side, he said, and investors are beginning to think that "while the economy is still moving forward, it has lost



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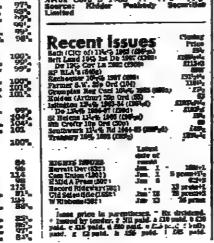
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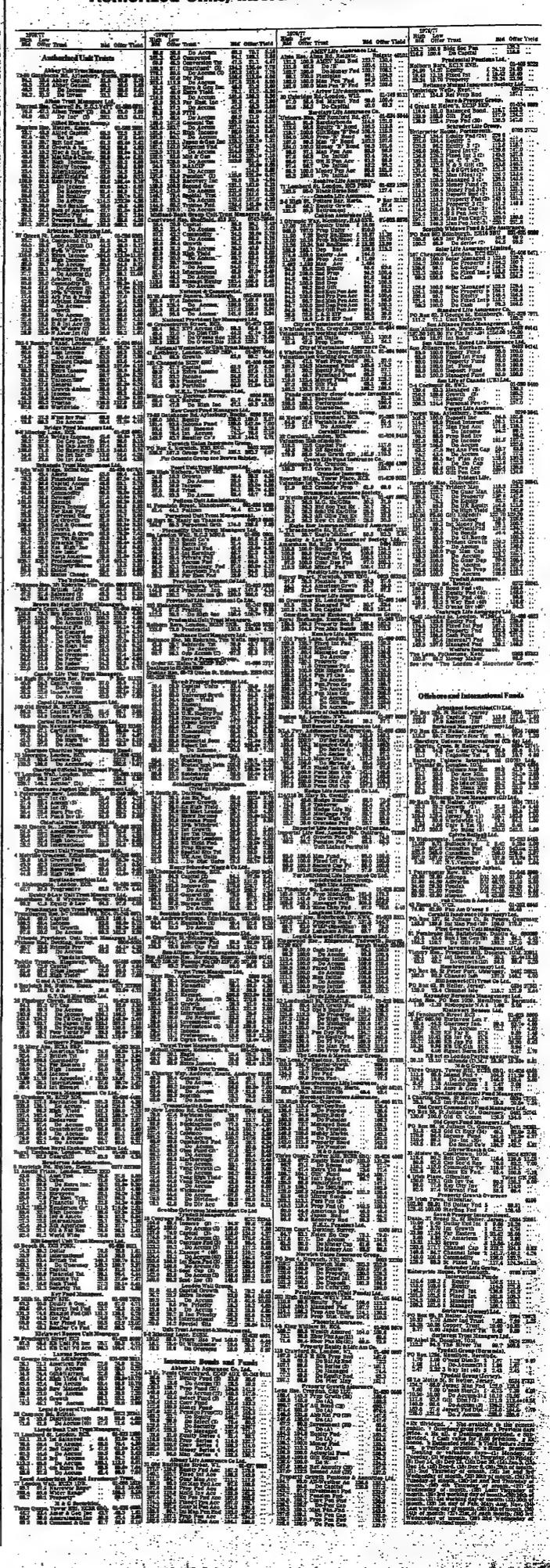
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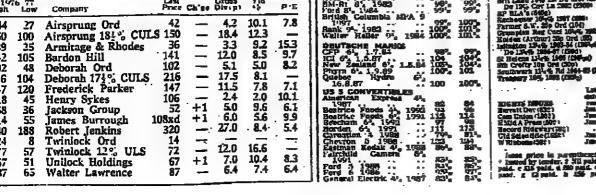
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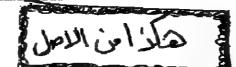


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Security for nuclear

eroding civil liberties

their national sovereignty, and then they would be able to resist the siting of nuclear plant in

Mr Robin Cook (Edinburgh, Cen

tral, Lah) said the consideration of nuclear proliferation would also have to be weighed in the balance.

accept that there was a serious problem on energy unless Britain unilaterally opted out of its industrial system, with all of the economic and social lazards involved

Mr Toby lessel (Richmond upon

pursued with vigour There was a case for proceeding

There was a case for proceeding with one domestic plutonium commercial fast-breeder reactor, but acceptance of that was bedged with important qualifications. It must not be in the place of research into different forms of energy and it must not form a commitment to a continuing programme at that stage. It must be regarded as an insurance premium and it should not proceed until there had been a public inquiry. Mr Authory Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy (Bristod, South-East, Lab), said If decisions were to be controlled

put to the nuclear inspectorate and had to be looked at carefully by them. There were these for-midable problems of waste man-

The last breeder reactor research was going on on a fairly substantial scale.

research was going on on a fairly substantial scale.

As regards security, on the one hand a minister had to protect these sensitive materials and do it in such a way as to provide a credible deterrent against an attack on them without leading to a situation where acceptable levels of civil liberty were evoded.

On this he could only give the classic answer of those by whom he was advised, that an increase in surveillance, in vetting, would not go above the normal level.

A question which was raised was whether it was possible that technology which was intended to permit man to control his environment became the instrument by which man himself was more fully controlled. When man became dependent upon high technology, was he creating a situation where what he thought was infernation was really vulnerability? These were questions society must lace and could not brush aside.

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Mr Abse sald that if the Windscale report passed through normal planning procedures without debate there would be considerable disease.

able dismay.

This House cannot abdicate its responsibility (he said) in a decision which could be the penultimate decision before we go into a plutonium economy.

The debate was adjourned.

materials without

A handful of stolen plutoninum if used within a nuclear device placed in Old Palace Yard, could

create immediate radiation which

monto de tental over sufficient relistance totally to destroy Parliament and would disperse radioactive material to envelope all Whitehall. Mr. Leo Abse (Pontypool, Lab) sald, opening a debate

on nuclear power and the environ-

with the bazards of nuclear terrorism set out in the Flowers

terrorism set out in the Flowers report, this House calls upon the Government to give an assurance that no decisions will be made which would lead to the creation of a plutonium-based economy without full regard to the protection of existing Civil liberties; and, apprehensive of the darent of the

apprehensive of the dangers of the creation of plutonium in large quantities in conditions of increas-

quantifies in Conditions of increas-ing world unrest, calls upon the Government to make a more positive response to the initiatives of President Carter to bring a balt to nuclear proliferation."

He said that the Flowers report was surely the most faceful pro-

was surely the most fateful pro-duced in this generation. It was uncomfortable, with no soft

The Royal Commission poses for the nation the said) the challenge which arises to life and liberty if we presume with excessive haste and overwhelming hubris to hustle Britain into the plutonium

If in future we move into these

nuclear reactor systems in the manner projected by the Atomic Energy Authority, the amount of

plutodium, the most noxious toxic material known to man, will be of such quantity and require such transportation throughout the land-and have so many people con-cerned with its use and aware of

its potentialities, that the present accurity arrangement for the existing storage of small quantities of grandum over a few sites would be totally inadequate.

No responsible government would date to refuse in take all the security measures which could be derived to protect their citizens

One of the major implications

One of the major implications was that there would come into existence an assault on their rights. A single serious tocident would bring irresistible pressure to increase security measures, to a degree which would be regarded, except in a totalitarian state, as involveable, but which could not be avoided because of the extent of the dependence on plutonium for energy.

The growth of a specialized armed service to guard plutonium, particularly while it was in transit, was a cause for severe misgivings. Physical searches alone of workers would not be enough. The Department of Energy's apologia on the issue, in the form of a press notice, was not reassuring. It said that surveillance would be extended only to those engaging in subvarsive, violent or otherwise unlawful activities.

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What was the Government's answer to the charge that the fast-breader nuclear reactors would put the nation's civil liberties at the mercy of an expanding armed constabulary, with sweeping powers of general arrest answerable to no elected body, and to a secret service answerable effectively to on one?

Government would see the wisdom of encouraging the further development of Britain's highly successful nuclear industry. They should do this by first of all giving clearance fairly soon for the two extra thermal reactor stations needed by the electricity supply industry. Secondly, he hoped they would make a declaration of the times would be the com-

intent fairly soon on the com-mercial fast breeder.

He understood there was to be

a public inquiry on the com-mercial fast breeder. So be it.

The Government should set a time limit to it. It should not be sliowed to go on and on. It should be strictly a site planning

inquiry. He hoped the Government would not give the impres-tion that they were putting the fast breeder on trial.

Mir Peter Rost (South-East Derby-shire, C) said that the Flowers report had a clear message that there were dangers in the pluto-nium route, but it went on to point out that despite those

dangers, the choice is identiably towards nuclear power. Including fast breeder reactors, but that one had to go slowly and carefully.

Mr Arthur Blenkinson (South Shields, Lab) said those members of the public who gave serious evidence, to the benefit of the public, at inquiries such as Windwale should receive financial help, possibly at the direction of the chairman of the inquiry.

Mr George Thompson (Galloway,

Scot Nat) said that for Scots there was the fundamental question of what control, if any, they had over their own land. The message was crystal-clear. They had

a farm, and also liable in contract, though more than six years had elapsed from the date when it ought reasonably to have been registered before action was brought. He was giving a reserved judgment in an action brought by Midland Bank Trust Co Ltd and Mrs Ann Green, as executors, against Hett, Stubbs & Kemp, solicitors, of Brigg, Lincolnshire, who had acted in relation to the uption on behalf of the testator, the late Mr Geoffrey Green. that the claim became barred not only before any damage occurred, but before the victim could, by any stretch of the imagination, have discovered that damage might occur or take steps to prevent it or seek redress. His Lordship said that in no spirit of criticism of Mr Kenneth Stubbs and his nartners, for often in such and his partners, for often in such cases solicitor defendants - were not emirely free agents as to the defences that could be raised on their behalf.

The argument had showed a The argument had thrown up three principal questions of law or mixed fact and law. (1) Assuming that an action based on the original failure to register was statute barred, did anything occur subsequently imposing a fresh duty the neglect of which could be made the basis of complaint? (2) Did the solicitors, spart from any comractual obligations, owe a general duty giving rise to an action in tort, when, but only when damage was occasioned? (3) On the footing of a solely

have to be weighed in the palance.
There was no doubt that if the
West chose a nuclear energy
supply based on a closed nuclear
fuel cycle other countries would
follow. They would be encouraged to do so at the risk of
accelerating nuclear weapon pro-Mr Jonathan Farker for the plain-tiffs; Mr R. A. Gazebouse, QC, and Mr Ian McCulloch for the liferation.
Mr Geoffrey Johnson Smith (East Grinstead, C) said the fundamental question on which people had to be convinced was to what extent the country was faced with an energy gap. The Secretary of State for Energy would be wholly derelict in his duty if he did not accept that there was a serious Green owned Gravel Hill Farm of 300 acres in Thornton le Moor, Lincolnshire, which was let to his elder son, Mr. Geoffrey Green, at a yearly rent of £300. In March, 1961, it was agreed between them that Geoffrey should have an option to purchase at \$175 or a semeciable during the next 10 years. To put that agree-ment into a regular and enforce-able form, they visited the solici-tors' firm of hett. Davy & Stubbe (now Hett, Stubbs & Kemp), which had previously acted for each of them individually. They saw Mr Aylmer Stubbs, a solici-tor of great experience in conver-Mr Ronald Brown (Hackney, South and Shoreditch, Lab) said there was a strong indication that there was a strong indication that unless the Government were prepared to make decisions now because of the long lead times necessary in this technology the country was unlikely to have sufficient energy resources available by 1990 and beyond. and beyond.

Nr Toby Iessel (Richmond upon Thames, Twickenham, C) said it would be crayy not to develop to the maximum the potential for those sources of energy which would never run out—the sun, waves and tide.

The energy gap was so great that they must use nuclear power. Nuclear energy was a fact of life which they could not go back on. Mr Tom King, Opposition snokeman on energy (Bridgwafer, C), said options should be kept open. Research into different forms of energy should be pursued vigorously. The Government were slowly increasing their work in that sphere and it needed to be pursued actively.

What was happening to the further research and development into wate disposal which was promised by the Government on May 27? That also needed to be pursued with vigour

There was a case for proceeding

whether the claim was barred at or before the date when Walter disposed of the land. Mr Gate-hunse contented (1) that a smitchur's duty trose from the contact of retainer alone, and that there was no general duty to exercise care and skill, such as would found an action in tort if damage resulted. (2) In breach of contract cases time ran from the date of the breach, which was complete when the cause of action arose, even if the damages at that date were nominal only. (3) The only breach, here, was failure to register within a reasonable time, which was carnishly before Angust 17, 1961. consideration of 2500. That trans-action was completed on August 17, 1967, over six years after the grant of the option. In proceed-ings by Geoffrey's executors against the executors of his father and mother, his Lordship held that the option had been defeated, except for a claim to damages against Walter's essure. On July 21, 1972, femily negoti-ations for a settlement of the dis-On July 21, 1972, femily negotiations for a settlement of the dispute having failed, Geoffrey began the present action against his former solicitors for damages for breach of professional duty. The damage bad been great, being estimated by accountants, in 1967, at £37,750. But the damage did not end there: Geoffrey's instillity to acquire the freehold meant an increased rent and, on his subsequent death, that his widow and family hed no security of tenure.

(Bristol, South-East, Lab), said If decisions were to be controlled then they must be understood and that meant that all the information available must be published, it was easy, in ignorance, to misunderstand the position.

In considering such difficult questions, everyone was worth listening to. For environmentalists, for example, to think that everyone working its civil nuclear power disregarded mandiad was to misunderstand completely the nature of the debate, the argument and the sense of moral conviction that existed on both sides.

Benn speaking

Agreement for contract

The Secretary of State's decision to call in the Windscale application was brave. He hoped that find decision. He has a wide range of possible scenarios with a little more of this and a little less of that. It would be a great pity if we polarized this argument. There are a wide range of choices.

The House should not abandon plexities and decisions on nuclear power were such that they were understood by vary few people. He saw no alternative to society choosing and making responsible the best minds it could find to make the decisions.

If this country decided to forgo the nuclear alternative they must face clearly the future of a civilization which was going to run into the most major energy crisis.

Mr Arthur Paimer (Bristol, North-East, Lab) said he hoped the Government would see the wisdom of encouraging the further development of Britali's highly successful nuclear industry. They was the alternative to face in the country of the nuclear inspectorate with the country of the nuclear inspectorate with the country of the problems in the nuclear area and one was the safety factor. There were put to the nuclear inspectorate with that they should absorb the said that they should a struck out and one was the safety factor. There were factors in safety which were put to the nuclear inspectorate with that they should a struck out and the action dismissed as against that they should a struck out and the action 49 provides: **(1) No. sale of land is inenforceable in the absence of a sufficient note or memorandum sufficient to satisfy section 40 of the Law of Property Act, 1925, or sufficient acts of part performance. The Court of Appeal so beld in dismissing an appeal by Daulia Ltd, the prospective purchaser of certain commercial and residential properties from the first detendants, Four Millbank Nominees Ltd, against an order of Mr Justice Brightman directing that the statement of chaim should be struck out and the action dismissed as against Millbank.

Section 40 provides: "(1) No action may be brought upon any coutract for the sale or other disposition of land or any interest in land, unless the agreement upon which such action is brought, for some memorandum or note thereof, is in waiting. (2) This section . . . does not affect the law relating to part performance . . ."

Mr Gerald Godfrey, OC. and

contended had come into existenter.

Three questions of law arose. On
the first, whether the facts established a valid uninteral or ""
contract, his Lordship held that
they did, as the appellants and
satisfied the conditions and proffered their part of the written
contract, duly engrossed and
signed, for exchange.

The second question was whether
section 40 applied to the case.

The debate was adjourned.

House adjourned, 2 pm.

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In mited to full gallons only, particularly where there is a large difference between the pump and discount prices.

We intend shortly to review the operation of the Petrol Prices (Display) Order 1977 and unless, by that time, there is a marked improvement. I propose to take steps to ensure that customers are being asked to pay, whether for whole or part gallons of petrol. In the meantime, motorists should either avoid garages with quantity-related conditions of saie or if they do use them, make sure that they purchase petrol only in full gallons and not by value or merely "filting up".

(1) The House of Lords decision in Redley-Syrne v Helley & Partners ([1964] AC 465) established a general duty arteling by law from a retationable therein described, however such relationship was created, and that the decision was therefore inconsistent with the underlying reasoning in Groun v Crocker ([1939] 1 KB 194) and the last which followed it. (2) On the view his Lordship had taken and in the light of the opinions expressed in Arenson v Arenson (1977) AC 405), particularly that of Lord Salmon, his Lordship would, with the greatest defectace, not follow Clark v Kirkhy-Smith ([1964] Ch 506) and Ragot v Stevens Scanlon & Co ([1966] 1 QB 197):

Baget v Stevens Scanlon & Co
([1966] 1 QB 197):

(3) His Lordship was not so
compelled, because references in
Cook v Shouten ([1967] I WIR
457) and Hepwood v Wellers
([1976] QB 446) to the comracinal nature of the liability,
formed no necessary part of the
ratio decidendi.

(4) Even if his Lordship were
wrong about that, those cases
were in conflict with the Court of
Appeal's interpretation in the
Exo case, by which his Lordship
was bound.

(5) If his Lordship were not
so bound, there was at least a
conflict between decisions of the
Court of Appeal, and his Lordship
was bound.

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folious, would follow what was
said by the Master of the Rolls in
the Esso case.

The Instant case was one in
which a Heddley Evrue relation-

action in tort, when, but only when damage was occasioned?

(3) On the footing of a solely contractual liability, was an action berred by the 1939 Act?

Did a fresh duly arise after July 21, 1966—a date six years before action brought? Mr Harman suggested that because the exercise of the option was crucial to a scheme which Geoffrey was proposing in June, 1967, it became Mr Kenneth Stubbe's duly to check upon the registration of the option. But that was not what he was asked to do; his instructions were given in the constent of harmonious family relationships, and his Lordship could see no reason why the possibility of Walter disposing of the land in defiance of the option should have been present to his mind. If there was no continuing duty to register, there was nothing in the instructions in June, 1967, to revive or create some fresh duty. His Lordship therefore could not accept the submission.

Were the soliciors liable in tort? The critical question was whether the claim was barred at or before the date when Walter disposed of the land. Mr Gatethe Esso case.

The Instant case was one in which a Hedley-Byrue relationship existed between Geoffrey and his solicitors, and the Essocase led to the conclusion that there was a liability in tort which arose when the damage occurred on August 17, 1967.

Were the reliectors also liable in contract? Assuming that the obligation owed by the solidation of the contractual only, it was necessary to consider what was the duty which was broken and when was it broken.

Limitation Act after the expiration of the appropriate period from the accrual of the cause of the action, ie, from the occurence of every fact which it would be necessary to prove, it traversed, in order to support a right to judgment. What those facts were could only be ascertained by reference to the right asserted; or to put it another way, by reference to the duty the breach of which was Court of Appeal

Before Lord Justice Geoffrey Lane, Mr Justice Milmo and Mr Justice Watkins

[Judgment delivered Nov 24]

The Court of Appeal decided that a wine waiter dishonestly introducing to sell his own wines and spirits to customers at his place of work by a deception that the drinks were those of his employers had been properly convicted of going equipped to cheat, conwary to section 25(1) of the Theft Act, 1968. If that conclusion was contrary to obtier dicta in R v Rashid ([1977] 1 WLR 288), then those dicta would be differed from.

[Judgment delivered Nov 24]

Obtaining by deception

which was ceronicity before August 17, 1961.

Mr Harman conscited that there was an alternative cause of action in tort which was not complete if the camage was sustained in August, 1967, well within six years before issue of the writ. He contended that the result of Esco Petroleum Co Ltd a Mardon (1976] QB 801) in the Coart of Appeal had been to destroy the validity of the view heretofore generally accepted that the solicitor's Vaccity was constactual only. After a detailed grady of numerous cases his Lordship reached the following conclusions.

(11976) AC 536).

LORD JUSTICE BUCKLEY gave a concurring judgment, and went on to consider a reference

no. v Wearself.

His Lordship resulted unable to undership how, outside the private world of the White Queen, a document written at a time when

application by the waiter, Joseph David Doukas, aged 35, to appeal For sale of land

Daulia Ltd v Four Millbank
Nominees Ltd and Another

Before Lord Justice Buckley, Lord
Justice Orr and Lord Justice Goff
[Jadgment delivered Nov 24]

A concluded unilateral contract for the sale of land is unemforceable in the sale of a sufficient note or memorandum sufficient note or satisfy

LORD JUSTICE GEOFFREY
LANE said that the applicant was found at the horse were he was a casual wine waiter carrying six bottles of wine in his cost pockets. He was acreated, and then bottles of gin and other spirits were found in his car. Hotel rules prohibited suff carrying satch drinks to work.

At the trial the Crown had ralled on admissions said by police officers to have been made by the applicant but denied by him to the effect that he intended to obtain dishouestly for himself customers' money by the deception that his wines and spirits which would be supplied to them were in fact those of the hotel. The defence had unsuccessfully submitted that there was no evidence in support of the charge under section 25(1) to be put before the jury.

It was contended for the applicant was a question for the jury in a submitted that there was no evidence in support of the charge under section 25(1) to be put before the jury.

It was contended for the applicant was the judge was wrong in law in rejecting the submission to since the facus of the case, in all material respects, were the same as those in R v Rashid. There as Eritish Rall steward who had intended to sell his own sandwiches histead of his employers' sandwich and by the law as states in 7.2 Am Jur. 2nd Ed, section 4: "The general rule is that an oral agreement to reduce to writing a contract which is within the scope of the operation of the Statute of Frauds, or to sign an agreement which the Statute of Frauds requires to be in writing, is invalid and unenforceable. ... A parol agreement invalid under the statute is not aided by a further parol agreement to writing." The third question was whether there had been sufficient acts of part performance to take the case out of the statute. There had not. The appellants relied on the acts done by them to satisfy the conditions of the unilateral contract. But none of those acts, of themselves, pointed to any contract between the parties. Indeed they suggested that the parties contract was, and saw that it was a unilateral it was only it one tirst looked to see what the oral contract was, and saw that it was a unilateral contract, that the acts could begin to be regorded as part performance. Such as lequity was not permitted: Steadman v Steadman (11976) AC 536).

Queen's Bench Division Continuing nuisance

gave a concurring judgment, and went on to consider a reference during argument to a passage in Tiverton Estates 9 Wearwell Ltd ([1975] 1Ch 147, 159), where the Master of the Rolls had commented on the earlier Court of Appeal decision in Low 9 Jones ([1974] Ch 112). His Lordship, emphasizing that his observations had no bearing on the decision of the present aspead, said that Low 9 Jones appeared to have occasioned much misunderstanding. The case had not decided that a letter written "subject to couract" or forming part of a coverspondence conducted subject to a "subject to couract" or forming part of a coverspondence conducted subject to a "subject to couract" stipulation could constitute a none or memorandum of an oxal agreement sufficient to satisfy the statute, at any rate, so long as the "subject to contract" stipulation remained operative. What it had decided was that, if the parties subsequently entered into a new and distinct ord agreement, the facts might be such that the earlier letter could form part of a sufficient note or memorandum of the later ord agreement notwithstanding that it had been a subject to contract" in relation to the earlier bargain.

It had also decided the quite Masters v Brent Lendon Borough Coincil Before Mr Justice Taibot.

[Judgment delivered Nov 22]

Where there is a conducting maistance inflicting damage on premises the person in possession of the interest may recover losses which he has borne, whether he acquisted it before or after the nuisance began. The test is what the lost is which the owner of the land has in meet in respect of the conducting nuisance affecting the interest.

His Lordship gave judgment for Mr John William. Masters, of Wendover Road, Harledden, London, on his claim that a continuing nuisance, created by the roots of a lime tree planted by Breut London Rorough Council by Reen a transferred his lease was in no better or worse position than a complete stranger and occurred before the date of acquisition. the loss is which the owner of the land has in meet in respect of the continuing nuisance affecting the interest.

His Lordship gave judgment for hir John William, Masters, of Wendover Road, Harlenden, London, on his claim that a continuing nuisance, created by the roots of a lime tree planted by Brent London Rorough Council on adjacent land, had undermined the foundations of his premises. He was awarded £1,333 damages in respect of the rebuilding and reinstatement. tract" in relation to the earlier bargain.

It had also decided the quite different point that, to satisfy the sature, a written node or memorandum need not acknowledge the edstence of the contract, although it had to record all the essential terms. In that respect it was undoubtedly in conflict with Tour-tern a Wommell.

reinstatement. Mr Michael Harris for Mr Masters; Mr Ian Goldsworthy the council. HIS LORDSHIP said that the HIS LORDSHIP and that the council soccepted that the roots of the lime tree had encroached on the life Masters's land; that the encroachement was an actionable nuisance; and that the bree caused which had been amount of the subsidence was in lease. the judgment of Lord Justice
Buckley.

The ayonal was dismissed. Leave to appeal was refused.

Solicitors: Runtman, Kramer & Shebsot; Clifford-Turner.

Mr Harris's theat submission was that there, was a continuing action-able nuisance affecting the land, both during the father's ownership and Mr Masters's, there was, in fact, continuing damage and that Mr Masters, who had remedied the damage at his own expense, was entitled to recover the tosts as the loss.

entitled in recover the costs as his loss.

In his Lordship's judgment that submission was correct. Where there was a continuing misance inflicting damage on premises, the person who was in possession of the interest could recover losses which he had borne, whether the nuisance began before or after the acquisition of the interest. The inst was: what is the loss which the owner of the land has to meet in respect of the continuing missance affecting his land?

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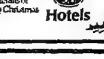
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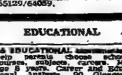
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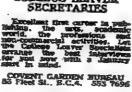
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Besides the Christmas tree holder I told you about, some recent lines have included self-watering plastic troughs to hold por plants-smart enough in white and a great relief to those who kill their plants with too much or too little water. The trough in

These are just two

leather-bound glass

Hollingsworth in

more familiar Florentine colours. They are big, about

bottles at Bourne and

maroons, golden tans,

reds, greens and the

10 and 11 inches high,

£7.50 for the shorter

decanters and barrels on the ground floor, under Leathergoods.

Prices run from under

£3 to about £17. Bourne and Hollingsworth is halfway between

Oxford Circus and Tottenham Court Road, on the corner of Berners Street. Most of the leather is Italian and there are not often many of one kind, since colours, shades and even shapes can vary a good deal. But, if you do not find exactly these, you will find one you do like.

bottle with the ball stopper and £13.50 for the second, square-shouldered one. These are only two of a range of leather bottles.

terribly imposing, rich-looking and stunningly unusual.
Prices of these are

from a range of

the base is filled by means of a tube that runs to the top of the trough and a suitable wick keeps the moisture seeping up to the plants. Made by Sankey, strong and easy to wipe clean, the trough is £2.95 (plus 85 pence p/p) and the plants stay moist enough for about a week after the reservoir is empty.

Another original Casa gift is the perfumed pen that is also a pendant in either gold or silver colour finish, hanging on a gold-coloured chain. Keep the top of the pen full of your favourite perfume (£4.20 including postage). A copy of Casa magazine will come to you free when you buy anything but you can send 20p for a sample of the latest copy to inspect the possibilities. The full address is Casa Magazine International House, 85 Great North Road, Hatfield, Herts AL9 5EH.

sure to so many people, and especially to the sick, elderly, localy and disabled. Not everybody has a wandow-sill on to which a parent bird feeding table can be damped feeding table can be damped which the minory used to be like the mincer used to be clamped to old-fashioned kitchen mbles. This particular one has a wide international mar-ket, is strongly made, well costed in white plastic and can

weather becomes really filthy.

The two-tray model is £5.90
plus 60p, while the original one-tray version from which it was developed is £4.20 plus 60p. By the way, even the single tray is in two parts, one on either side of the upright framework, so that you can put scraps or that you can put scraps or seed on one side and water on the other. I can think of few micer gifts for young or old at home annels of the day. With, perhaps, a nice tintle paperhack on British birds (or foreign if sending abroad). The address is Kings House, Nanderwater, Eveter RY4 J.H. Exeter RX4 2LD.

Sheila Black

There is some very expensive but rather irresistible stationery in Harrods just now. A pack of personal invitation cylinders is really lovely for the special party. A transparent box contains 10 silvered tubes, just over seven inches long, some gilt-edged, parchment-coloured invitation letters (too big to be cards), a little bag of square golden sequins (which the maker calls conferti) some adhesive-backed labels for the silver cylinder. Write your invitation, sprinkle with the confetti-which seems to cling well—and roll the message into the cylinder. Label it and post, hoping it will arrive undamaged but, since it is just about one inch in diameter and fairly tough, it should be all right. The pack costs £9.50 and you ask for The Conferni Invitation Proclamation set. Postage is

Then there is an Executive Pass the Buck slip pad, marked with numerous brief messages like "Review and Summarize", "Destroy before reading".

Nearly all the messages are jokes but some actually might apply quite seriously, such as "Return", "Retain", or "Route". Slots for names and dates, plus space for signature, would enliven normal office routines. In smart brown lettering on warm beige ground, these slender action slips cost f3.80 for goodness knows how

many sheets but the pad is just overlinches thick. Add £1.13 for postage outside Harrods free delivery area.

The Adult Letter Pad has 25 fold-and-s cards, measuring about 11 by 85 inches Ornate in white with blue borders, th large card carries a number of message like " owe you a letter/apology/etc, realize what a fool I've been" and suchlike. The pad is £3.80 plus 49 pence p & p.
A really original and delightful gift, if

costly, is the Tsiao Liu Chiu Tea Brick, made of quality China tea compressed in a die powered by oxen. It is thus made into a brick with sharply cut decoration on one face of the brick. Such tea bricks have been used for more than 2,000 years as convenient ways of transporting tea and they even became bartering currency at one time. When wanted, the tea brick can be crushed to use as tea leaves or, I suppose, one could break off pieces. Apart from the somewhat architectural but charming decoration, there is a Chinese inscription reading "Manufactured by Tsiao Liu Chiu Tea Brick Pactory China Tea Industry Company". Decorative yet smelling of China tea, and one of the really original gifts f have seen. Some people varnish them tor-perpetual ornaments but that must kill the tea smell which would probably fade with time anyway. They cost £4.50 each to personal shoppers only.

This year natural earth-grown Christmas trees are scarce in many parts of the country because the past popularity of shimmering, artifical trees caused a drop in sales of the oundoor variety so that fewer were planted and there are now just not enough to meet the newval in demand for the natural tree.

natural tree.

There are people who fear for the damage to dogs, cats and even crawling or todding babies from the sharp green needles of natural trees. There are others who hate the dropping needles on the carpet and who should buy the Syuchemicals S 500 serosol, from most reaches them or numeries. It garden shops or nurseries. It costs the needles protectively to hold in as much of the innate moisture as possible so that they fall less easily. Used for the leaves of transplant currings

the leaves of transplant cuttings or plants to retain moisture, it is a very useful cover-up for the Christmas tree.

The other way to prevent needle-drop somewhat—it being impossible to do so entirely—is to stand the cut end of the trunk in water. There are many reachalders about at prices trunk in water. There are many tree-holders about at pricas ranging up to about £8, but the cheapest I know is the stand from Casa at £2.65. A tripod with large grub-screws holds the trunk firmly while a little bowl within the three legs can be kept filled with water beneath the pretty fabric or paper that hides the green metal construction. Casa, of which more elsewhere on this page, is at 85 Great North Road, Hatfield, Herts AL9 5EH, and do specify the Tree Stand Offer, but bear in mind that delivery might be three weeks and be resigned if you fail to get it for this year.

Another way of avoiding needles is to follow Colombian tradicion and use the cotton

tradition and use the cotton tree illustrated here. I bought one some years ago and have not seen it in the shops or stores to recommend it again. The yarns, in a loose weave, shaped like a tree and stiffened with horizontal struts of bamboo or hanging it up and little col-outed bobbles decorate the two-tone green "tree". You can hang small, light gifts on it and you can certainly decorate it with glass baubles or other treehanging charms, besides being able to spray the tips with artificial, aerosol snow. When it is all over, the tree rolls up

Shortage of space was my main reason for buying one. I had wied large trees out in the pasio behind the sliding, glass patio doors. They looked wonderful but rain made the lights dangerous so that body could actually use

oed with delight through the glass. Then I mied small ones on the table, also very pretty but inclined to be in the way food and lunchers or diners. Finally I sprayed some coarse-meshed net curtains with gold meshed net curtains with gold paint, on both sides and until it covered the fabric's original white entirely. I hang this (drawing pins on the wooden frame of the patio windows) all over the glass and then hang it with baubles. The Colombian cotton tree hangs in the centre, with miniature Christmas tree lights that go back over decades on it. A few more lights so on to the golden net but well away from the tree so as not to spoil the traditional outline. It looks festive, takes up neither floor nor table space and, from outside the house, looks charming when alight so that passers by stop to ask about it. I sarely close curtains et Christmastime and always leng decorations on the front door and in the porch.

Anyway, the Colombian

Anyway, the Colombian

woven cotton trees are back, being sold into shops by Elit, the firm that specializes in those lovely lampshades I have already featured, the ones that leak like sign are the ones that look like fishermen's keep-nets or similar in various lengths and sizes, all loosely woven in and sizes, an loosely woven in natural yarns mainly graduating from white or palest beige to dark browns but with some lovely russets and greens woven into some of the styles. There are white, red or burnt-

orange versions at Heol's and Omnia Designs (the latter at Richmond or Kenrish Town, London) but I'm a green tree fan myself. They are at a great many of the normal Elit stockmany of the normal Elit stock-ists but, in view of time short-age, you can just buy direct on this occasion from Elit Lighting, Burston House, Bur-ston Road, London SW15 6AR, at \$5.50 for the smaller tree (42 inches high) or \$8.50 for (42 inches figh) or 18.50 for the larger (72 inches tall). That includes postage so they might be cheaper at stockists, whose names can be got from Elit

save it only by repotting in some dry, unfertilized earth unless the roots are already poisoned by the overdose. The purring sound should console you when all is well. This Plant Communicator is \$7.50 plus 50p p/p from Craves House, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey and I think I cannot resist one for my armies of

Then we have the Instamatic departments in larger stores. water tester, drawn for you hers. It has a larger head than the others end a flexible lead to the probe so that you can hold the reader-window near you but stretch out to a slightly distant plant. It needs no batteries at all and the reading tells you wil. It sells at about £10.95 from many gardening

departments in larger stores, especially at Selfridges and Heal's, and at Syon Park Gardening Centre. A booklet with it gives the guide to what different plants need. It is distributed by Clifford Gooksk. 161 Russell Court, Wobsta Place, London WC1H OLR, who might be persuaded to supply if you cannot find local stock-



Some enchanting gift products have been made up of Thai silk, like the two table-napkin rings shown here. The bands are of rolled, stitched silk with silken, handmade roses settled on them. Buy them at £8.50 for eight from Selfridges, Macolin of Walton Street, Beattie's of Wolverhampton and Solihull and some other stores and gift shops. Harvey Nichols/Selfridges would be good places to find matching Thai silk spectacle cases (single at £4.50 and double at £5.50 which is a good idea since some people carry two pairs). Jewelry rolls for travelling are about £11 and there are some really delightful photo frames in single, double or triple. Very attractive is a gift set at £10 Jewelry rolls for travelling are about 1511 and there are some really delightful photo frames in single, double or triple. Very attractive is a gift set at f10 last marmalades, churneys and short-including spectacle case, cosmetic bag last marmalades, churneys and short-including spectacle case, cosmetic bag last marmalades, churneys and short-well services.

for wet or dry, with varying permutations of the two lights and their brightness or otherwise to guide on in-between soil conditions. It has a five-inch probe so should discover the moisture content around the

roots of most plants (there

being a 17-inch probe for pro-fessional growers). Too many

plants die of over-watering and the state of the topsoil is no

guide to the wemess around the roots which can thus be

Diplex Electronic Soil Mois-

ture Indicator is in almost all

gardening shops and departments at around £7.50, some-

times a shade less. If you can-

not track one down, write to Diplex at PO Box 172, Warford, Hertfordshire WDI 1BX. They can send you lists of a surpris-tional large cause of instruments

ingly large range of instruments such as frost predictors, green-house moisture meters, hygro-

meters, thermometers both ordinary and unusual, freezer

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thermometers, barometers, whole weather stations and so on. Their lines vary from the cheap but hardy and serviceable

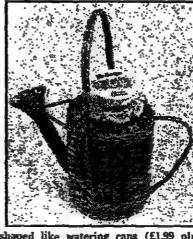
to a lovely nautical range of solid brass. The movements are as reliable as the faces are attractive. By the way, plant treatment advice goes with the

suffocated.

and tiny Kleenex holder, cigarette case or keyring. All in Thai silk and dainty. I also liked the tiny silver scent bottles, of fine beaten Thailand silver on necklet chains. They cost \$17.95 each but are sparsely stocked so buy direct, adding 20p postage, from Markham Hogarth Designs, 2 Russell Gardens Mores, London, Wi4. The silver bottles Mews, London, W14. The silver bottles are at Heal's Selfridges, a little shop called Spree at Bembridge on the Isle of Wight, and Pipaluk at Oxford Craft

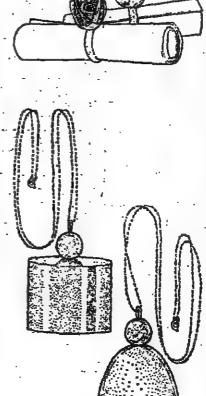
Among the nuttier items are quaint-

nesses in wicker at Bentall's of Kingston



95p postage), a vintage car at £3.65 plus 95p, and a jug at £1.79 (95p). To tell the truth, there is an Upstairs. Downstairs distributor in Scotland, as readers of this page will know, and a Mrs Bridges does make preserves for

catered for. The Bracknell store is as well served as Kingston and very good



■ If you have £157.84 to spend on a Christmas pudding, then go ahead and do just that, from Stuart Devlin, jeweller of fame and skill. The price includes VAT and, when I admit to there being VAT, you will have come to realize that the pudding must be made by Stuart, and that it must be precious. It is, an oxidized silver pudding, just two inches high round and plump like the old bomb-shaped pudding. Enamelled holly and gilt plate with openwork rim add to the realism. Open the the pudding and a dozen little charms are there, like a wishbone, pig. parcel, horseshoe, button etc. Very adorable, very collectable.

Also from Devlin is a little carol box in silver gilt and about three inches tail. Inside there are two little silver-gilt tea clippers and one plain silver ship, their sails billowing from the delicate masts, all "sailing" on a blue enamelled sea. These carel boxes will be in tell limited editions only, of which this is already the seventh and each runs to only 500 pieces. The price of the carol box is £109.60. Stuart Devlin is at 90/92 Sr John Street, London EC1 (01-253 5350).



■ Two teenage pendants for boys and girls are fun at | ■ The first of the Woolworths. The first is a miniature skateboard pendant, meters came from Diplex complete with moving wheels, on a 22-carat gold-plated Instruments many years ago. chain. As for the board itself, the underside and wheels are Battery-powered, it lighted up gold-plated but the platform is in plain or multi-coloured enamels. The price is only 99p, which makes it either a long-term joy to teenagers or a joke present for anyone.

The other pendant is for anyone but would be loved by the young. It is silver-plated bullet about 2½ inches long, dangling from a long chain. Remove the bullet's nose and you have a ballpoint pen with which you can write without taking off the chain. Many standard refills fit the pen and the whole pendant is just £1.49 from larger Woolworths

Gardenwork is an old heavy-duty model and a de luxe favourite of mine, ever since model cost from 19.50 to favourite of mine, ever since favourite of the latter has a state of the latter has a they started selling curved jungle knives, machetes and the like for overgrown patches. The old jungle-type tools still sell all over the world, even to the places where they were originally designed and used and where they are no longer to be found.
Gardenwork are altogether

very good for the old-fashioned tools which cannot be equalled by modern developments for a good many jobs. The tough hoe with the blade at right angles with the blode at right angles to the shaft and the pronged equivalent of same are about 18.25 plus 75p carriags. A strong, pointed shovel beats a flat-bladed spade for much excavation work in frost-hard gardens (£9 plus £1). Mattocks will deal with taking up big stones, paving or packed earth (£10 plus £2). There is one tilling weapon with a forked tip, carrying two sharp, strong points to break up hard ground, remove suckers from deep remove suckers from deep down, and cope with all manner of tough garden chores.

Arthrices especially welcome these tools, and Gardenwork is now working with Age Concern as well as with disabled bodies to develop tools especially for them so please do let them know of any relevant personal experiences or discoveries about gardening from wheel-chairs, unbending positions and the like. Their Fastgun Spray bottle has dozens of uses since it can fit to the hose to mix solutions with the running solutions with the running water, making weed-killing, car-rashing, lawn-feeding, spraying and such quite simple.

A range of trolleys called Ease-e-load is worth seeing or reading about in leaflets. A simple shopping version, a available.

third wheel Shopping bags can be supplied at £3 extra to convert the all-purpose trolley and there are strong hook attachments. The lightweight models fold up when not carrying fertilizer to the other end of your land or trundling around the local supermarket.

One of the latest lines is a

log basket, woven from old English willow to a traditional design of deepness and strength, made by craftsmen for 1,000 years or more. These are the baskets one used to see out in the fields when more crops were hand-harvested and they are wonderful for toys, laundry, general junk and anything you fancy. I have a forbear in my bathroom, filled with indoor gardening tools, pots of all sizes, netting, seed packers, sprays, bags of ready-mixed porting composts and the closs I slip on to garden on my bal-cong. Why the bathroom? Betause there is space, it is next to the bedroom, which is open to the balcony, and my bed-room, bathroom and balcony are practically plant forests. I hate to tell you how little mine cost me 17 years ago, but the Gardenwork willow basket is now good value at £7 plus £1 carriage. It measures about 16 inches deep by some 18 inches diameter but, being hand-made, measurements cannot be exact. It should hold some 40lb of logs according to the cutting sizes and it looks really good

by the hearth. Gardenwork accepts Access and Barclaycard, despatches promptly and discounts some objects for orders of two or three. The address is The Dell. Catherine de Barnes, Solihull, West Midlands, and leaflets are

I I honestly cannot think why anyone should want a musical telephone but, my instinct being to hope that I shall sometimes actually get a little peace from telephones, I could be prejudiced about these indispensable instruments. So, for the record, let me tell you that you can buy music boxes with telephone rests in olive, red or green to match the popular phone colours. While your caller holds on, pass his or her time with gentle music. The price is £4.99 including VAT, postage and all, and the address is Middlesex Mail Orders, 43 Nibthwaite Road, Harrow HA1 1TB,

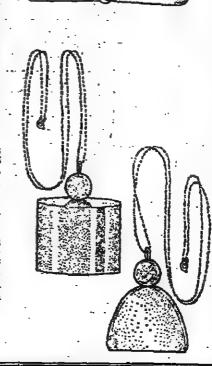


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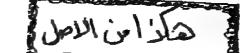
The noises are coughs, clicks, meters have come into being. I hiccoping clicks, purring and have not yet had a chance to even a shrill cry. You do not try one that intrigues me water until you come across a greatly, but I do know the firm slow cough. If it then clicks selling it and can testify to their slowly, it is telling you the plant needs fertilizer. A fast rounded head and twin probes
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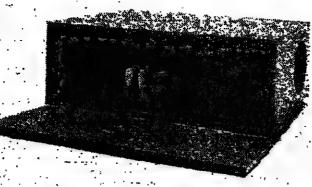
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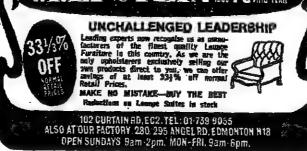
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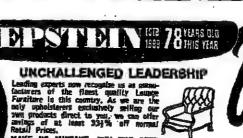
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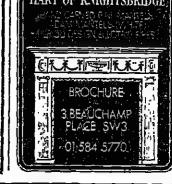
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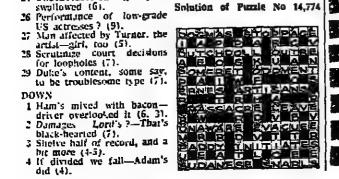
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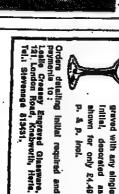
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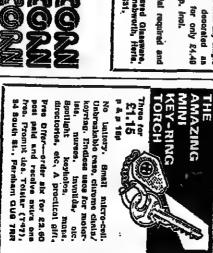
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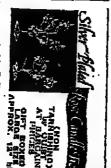












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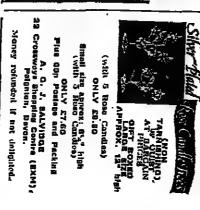
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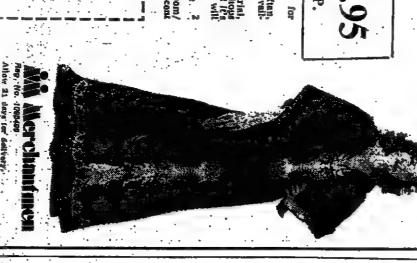
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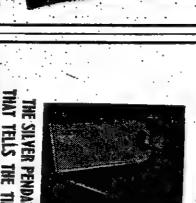
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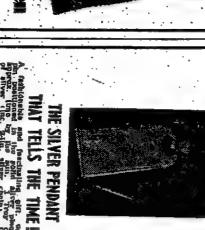
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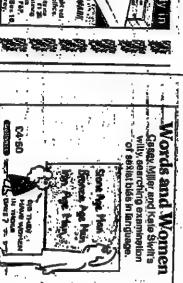
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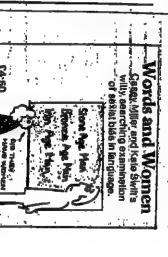
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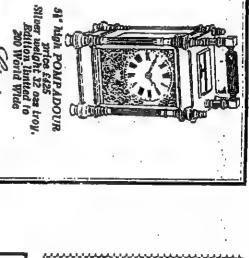




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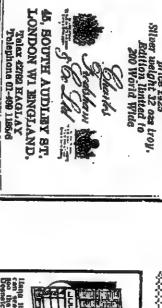


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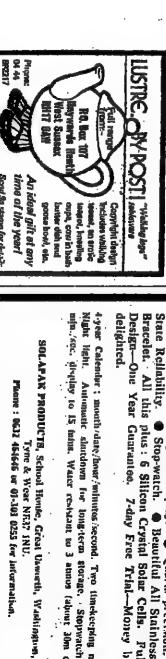
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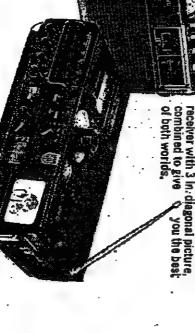




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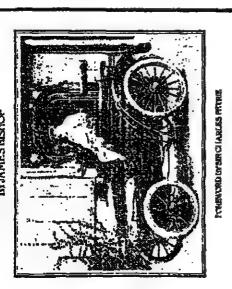
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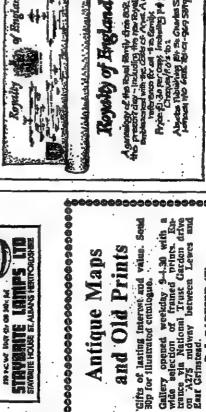


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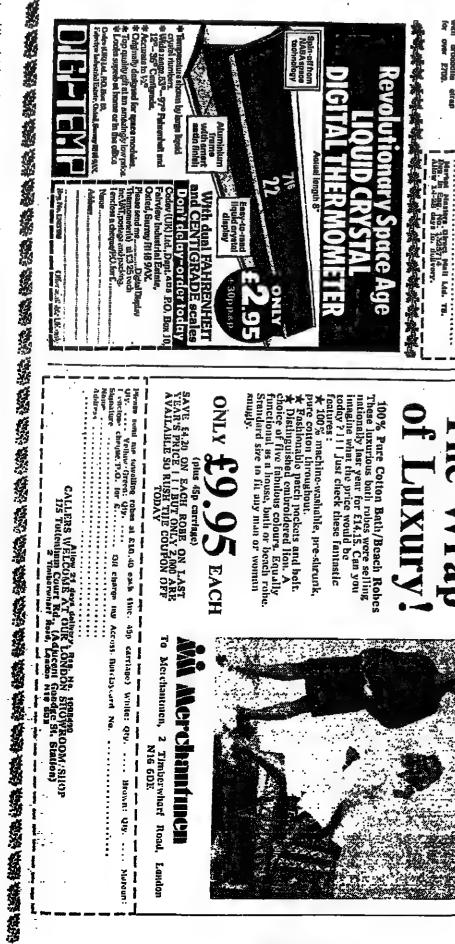




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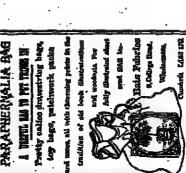
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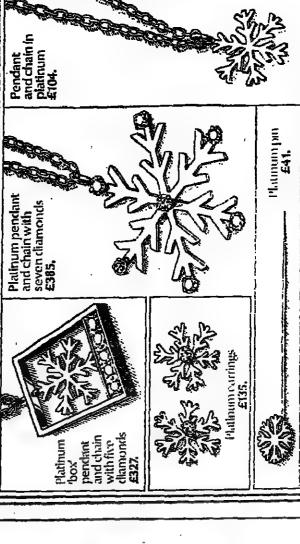
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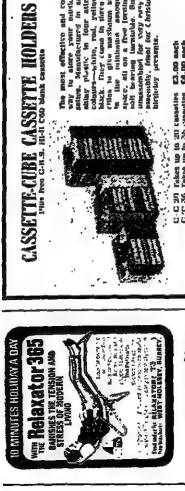










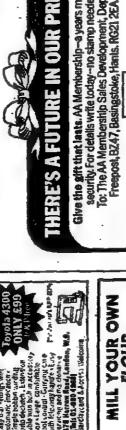


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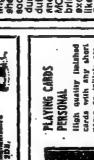




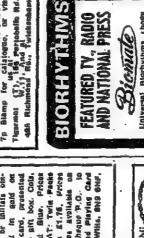


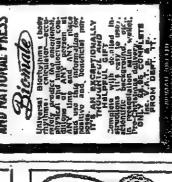
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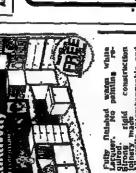


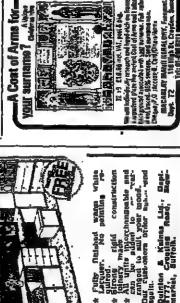












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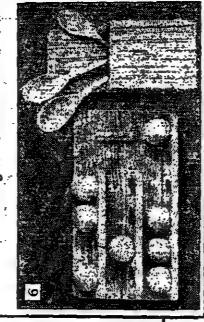


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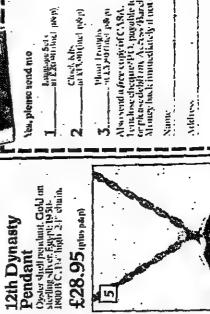




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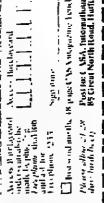
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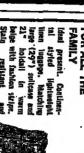
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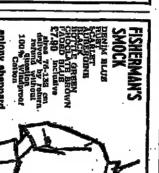
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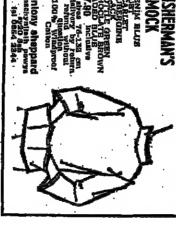
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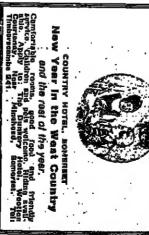
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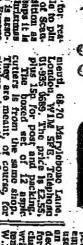
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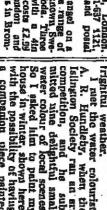
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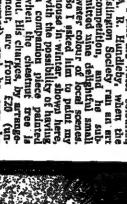




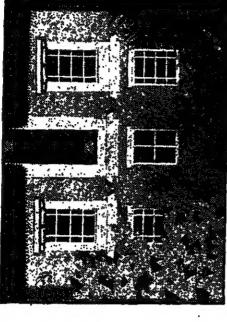




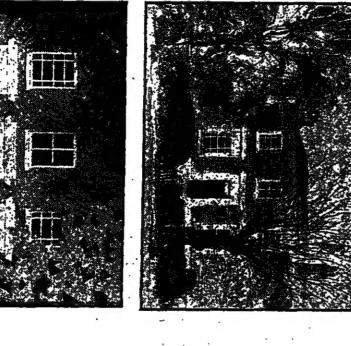


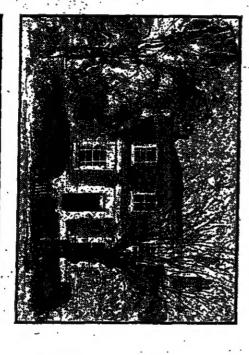


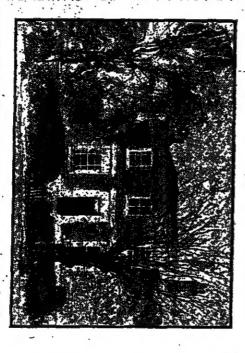


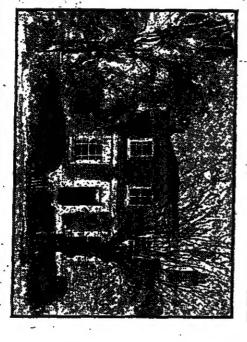


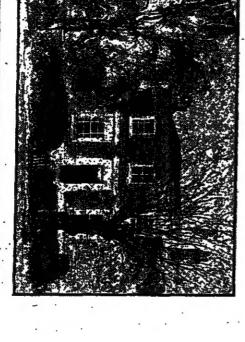


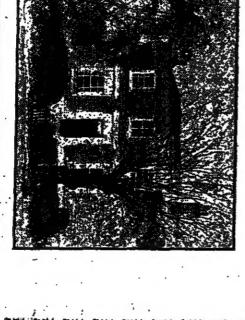


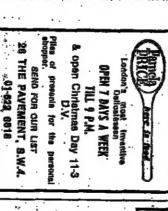




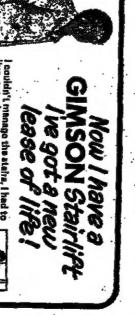


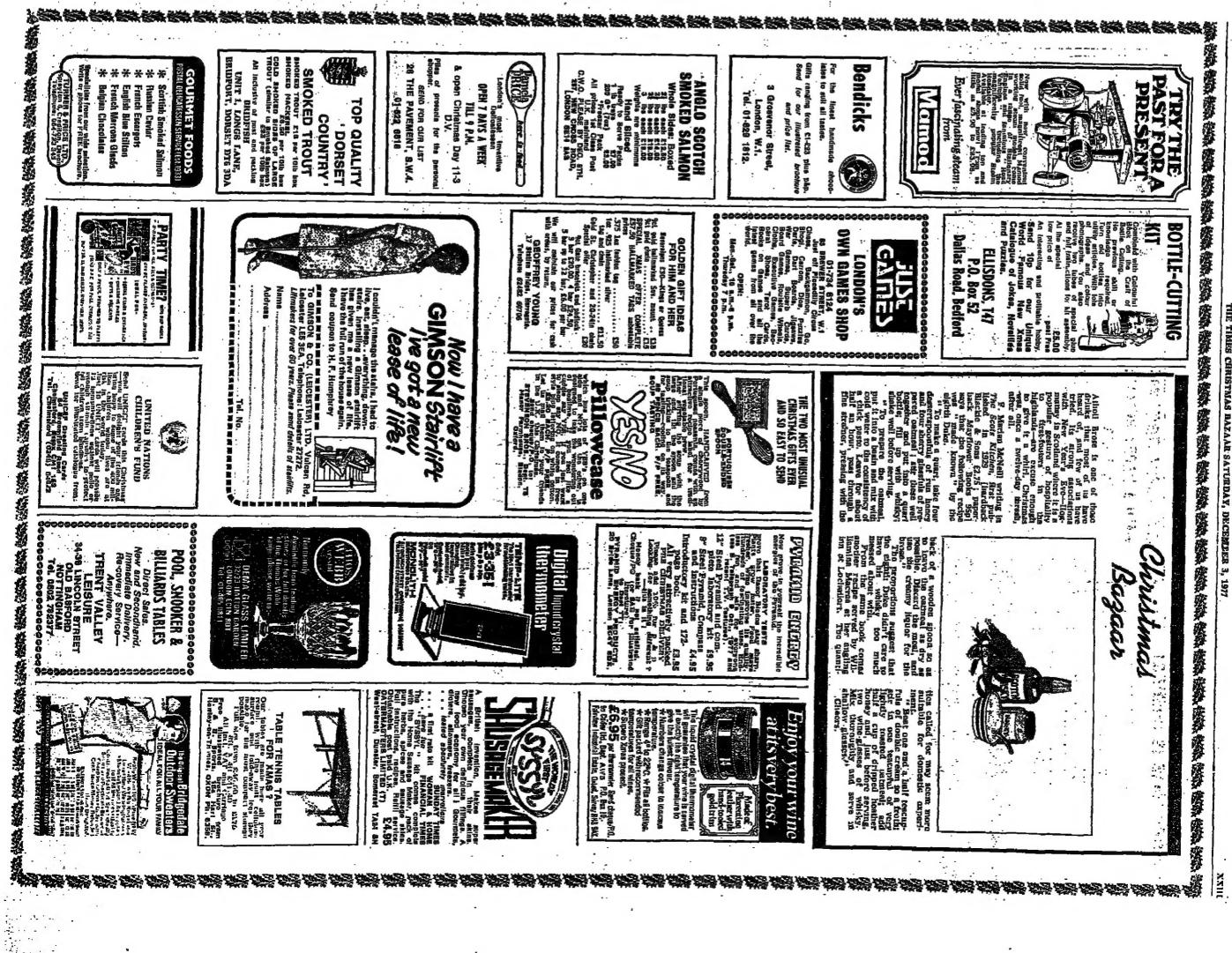


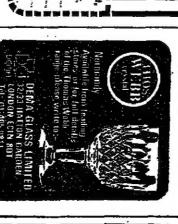












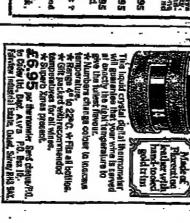


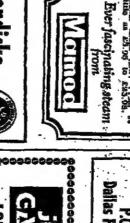






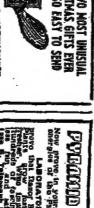


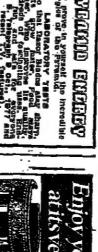






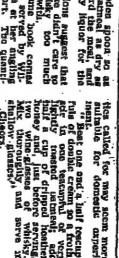




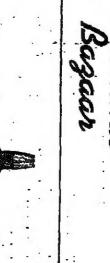




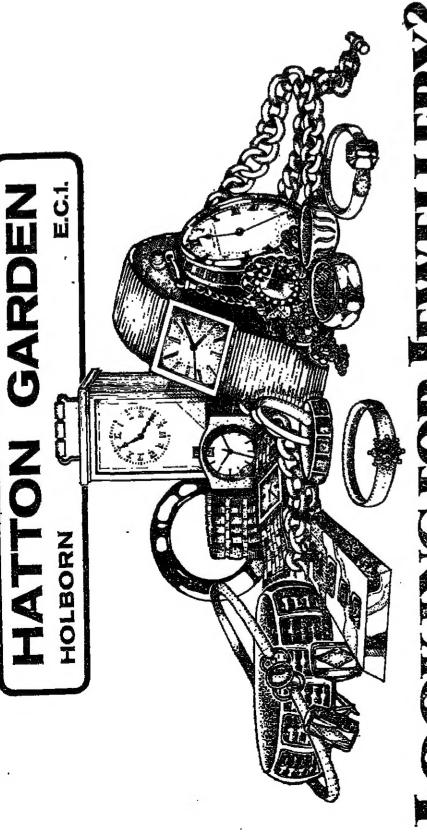








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